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MARCH 10, 1828 TO MARCH 24, 1828

[185] In Common Council March 10th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Junr
William S Coe	James Lynch
John R Peters	William Seaman
Gideon Ostrander	John F Sibell
Lemuel Pittman	Isaac Amerman
Effingham Schieffelin	Bernard J Meserole
Abraham M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	James Palmer
	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of Silas Barber to lease from the Common Council property in West street between Christopher and Barrow streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee

[186] A Petition of Cornelius P Brower a Watchman praying compensation for his time and attendance as a Witness in the case of Charles Mathews on an Indictment for stabbing one McNally was read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Communication was received from W J Coffee stating that he is about making a Plaster Statue of the late Governor Clinton and praying the patronage of the Common Council in the undertaking was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences

A Memorial of J Johnson against the Assessment for extending the Washington Military Parade Ground was read—Whereupon Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition

A Memorial of John L Ireland & others to be relieved from an Assessment for extending the Washington Military Parade Ground was read—Whereupon Resolved that the Petitioners have leave to withdraw their Petition.

A Petition of James A Mills and Joel Kelly owners of ground to have Avenue C paved from North street to Second street was read and referred to the Street Committee

[187] A Petition of a number of Inhabitants in Christie streets to have said street repaved & side Walks extended was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of Thomas Keane & others against paving Hudson street as high up as 13th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Asa Holden & others to have 24th & 25th Streets opened from 8th Avenue to Hudson River was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Asa Hall & others to have Hudson street paved from Bank street to 13th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of Charles Trinder and others against extending Minetto street to McDougal street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition for extending Cedar street from William to Pearl street was read and referred to the Street Committee

[188] A Petition of M Nash against an Assessment was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Samuel G Ogden for relief from an erroneous Assessment with the Assessors Certificate was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of John Ayres to be relieved from his personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Abraham Clark to be released from Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Hannah Brown praying to be relieved from a part of a personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Catharine Small to be relieved from personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of William M Johnson and others to have a Fire Engine located between [189] 13th & 18th Streets near 9th Avenue in the 12th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of the Members of Hook & Ladder Company No 3 for an increase of men was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of the Members of Fire Engine Company No 13 praying that the conduct of one of their members Stephen C DeGrove may be investigated was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of the Owners and Occupants of property in the 7th

Ward to extend the Fire Limits to Governeur Street was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Remonstrance of the Merchants in the neighborhood of New Slip against permitting Steam Boats to come into and lie in said Slip was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Christopher Heiser [190] stating that he purchased of the Corporation a Gore of land at the Corner of Hudson & Reed streets and praying the Board on account of the hardship of his case to have refunded him the money he has expended thereon and take said Gore was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of John Jacob Astor for a Water Grant in front of his premises Lot N° 458 in the Clinton tract at Greenwich Village was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of the National Insurance Company stating that in consequence of severe losses they are much reduced and praying to be released part payment of their Tax was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of M^rs^ Charlotte Bates stating that some time since she employed one of the City Marshals to collect a Debt for her, which he did, but did not account to her for the same Whereupon she commenced a Suit and the costs being more than the debt prays to be relieved from the payment of said Costs was read and referred to the Finance Committee

An Account amounting to $50, was [191] presented from John Leveridge for attending Court in New Jersey in the case of Joshua Mersereau Deputy Sheriff of Richmond County accompanied with a Letter from George Wood Esquire residing at New Brunswick on same subject were read and referred to the Law Committee

A Communication & Statement from J Guion relative to cleaning the Public Streets was read laid on the Table & directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

A Proposal from T Smith to sweep and keep Clean the paved Streets of this City was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

A Petition of John A Fink for Stall N° 5 Spring street Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of John Hutton for a Stall in Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Dennis Valentine for Stall N° 1 in Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

[192] A Petition of William Erwin for a Stall in Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of George Painter to be appointed an Inspector of Fire Wood was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Francis Colgrove to be appointed an Inspector of Fire wood was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Gerardus Riker praying to be appointed an Inspector of Fire Wood was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of James Secor praying to be appointed an Inspector of Fire wood was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Remonstrance of a number of Inhabitants against the removal of Tunis A Kypers as Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants in the vicinity of Peck Slip to have the exclusive use of said Slip for Market Sloops was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[193] A Petition of Jeromus Johnson and others to have the Mud Machine employed immediately in cleaning out Coenties Slip was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Curtenious Hyer to be relieved from the payment of a fine for driving a Hackney Coach without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of William F Baker praying for permission to remove a small Office from a Lot fronting on Cherry stret to his Lot on Front street was read—And Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition

A Petition of a number of persons praying that a Rock in Walnut street Slip may be removed was read and referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against the sinking of a Well and Pump at the intersection of Pump and Allen street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Tenth Ward and Street Commissioner

[194] A Petition of Abraham LeFoy for permission to sell Furniture in front of his Store in Chatham Square was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of a number of Merchants occupying Stores & Houses

in Pearl street praying the upper part of said street may be lighted with Gas was read and referred to the Special Committee on Gas

A Petition of J Benjamin and others Guagers against any further appointment of persons as Guagers as there are already too many for the bussiness of the City, was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Edmund Gross to be appointed an Inspector of Wharves Piers and Slips was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John Bartine to be appointed Superintendant of Streets or Inspector of Hackney Coaches was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Thomas Devoe praying to be appointed a Weighmaster was read [195] and referred to Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Captain James Dunn to be appointed Keeper of the Washington Parade Ground was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Daniel Hageman to be continued an Inspector of Wharves Piers & Slips was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of M^{r} Cowan to be appointed to the Office of Inspector of Hackney Coaches was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Communication from the Clerk of the Assistant Justices Court for the 4th & 6th Wards stating that the Lease of the House occupied by them as a Court will expire on the 1st day of May next and also that the Owner will renew the Lease upon the same terms as before was read and referred to the Aldermen & Assistants of the 4th & 6th Wards

A Petition of a number of [196] Inhabitants praying that measures may be taken to close the Taverns and Groceries on Sundays was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of the owners of the Great Ox President to have one of the vacant Lots near the Jail to exhibit said Ox in was read and Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition

A Petition of Bussing Valentine for a Stall in Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Frederick DePeyster & others for a deduction of Interest on a commutation of a Water Grant presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully report on the within Petition of Frederick DePeyster and others for a deduction of Interest, on a commutation of a Water Grant—That the rent on the Grant so commuted did not commence until the year 1832; but the Petitioners have paid into the Treasury $1312.^{6}/_{100}$ being a principal sum at five per Cent upon the rent reserved—The rent is $\$65,^{6}/_{100}$ It would seem to be manifest that an allowance should be made to the Petitioners [197] inasmuch as the rent would not have commenced until four years hence—They accordingly expect to have returned to them the sum of $\$262,^{52}/_{100}$ being four years rent This amount is considered reasonable and proper to be returned by the Comptroller—Your Committee therefore respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of the Petitioners for the above sum of Two hundred & sixty two $^{52}/_{100}$ dollars

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee presented the following Report relative to a mistake in their report made on the subject of Water Grant to George Rapl[e]ye at the last Meeting

The Finance Committee respectfully report that a mistake occurred in their Report at the last Meeting on the subject of a Water Grant to George Rapelye [198] in stating that there was no reservation in front of his premises, whereas a reservation does exist in front of so much of his premises as lies between 16th & 17th Streets, Consequently for that part of the Grant, a reservation must be made, and Mr Rapelye must covenant to build & keep in repair the bulkhead and he is to have the wharfage until the reservation is required by a resolution of the Board for public purposes, And the grant to contain the terms usual in such cases

The Calculation of the Quit Rent will be made by the Street Commissioner—If the extent out into the River between 16th & 17th Streets is 170 feet full Quit is to be charged, but if less, then a rateable rent only, on the part between 17th & 18th Streets, the rent or Quit is to be charged as in other cases in that vicinity, upon the foot of front, with-

out reference to length or extent into the river—With these alterations Your Committee recommend that the Report made and acceped at the last meeting be carried into effect

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was approved

[199] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Sun Fire Insurance Company to have a deduction of their Tax presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of the Sun Fire Insurance Company—It appears that the said Company have been taxed upon a Capital of $30,000 whereas their Capital is nominally $300,000 But owing to misfortunes the Company state that their actual Capital is not more than the real Estate now owned by them and upon which they of course pay taxes—Your Committee however much they may commisserate the situation of this Company have no power to exempt them from Taxation—By the Law, perhaps the Company ought to have been assessed upon the full nominal amount of their Capital, until that Capital is reduced or altered by an Act of the Legislature

But as the Assessors have thought fit to assess only upon what they considered the amount of the remaining Capital of the Company Your Committee think it is inexpedient to interfere in the matter—The Law provides a mode of Assessment by Assessors with which your Committee think that the Common [200] Council ought not to interfere—They therefore respectfully offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Resolution, that in stead of Leasing the Public Slips a Corporation Collector be appointed presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Resolution, proposing that instead of leasing the Public Slips, a Corporation collector be appointed—Your Committee are decidedly of the Opinion that the Corporation would receive less wharfage under the proposed new system, than under the existing mode of leasing the Slips—The Slips are now leased by Auction; and taking into view the experience of this Common Council for many years back, Your Committee can only anticipate a considerable reduction of income in case a Corporation Collector [201] was appointed—The time has arrived when it is proper to advertise the public Slips to be Leased by Auction; And your Committee therefore respectfully offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolutions Viz[t]

I. Resolved that it is inexpedient for the Board to appoint a Public Collector of Wharfage

II. Resolved that the Comptroller be requested to advertise the Public Wharves & Slips by Auction in the same manner as was done the last year

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
W[m] H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William M Gooding praying for a renewal of the Lease of N° 511 Pearl Street presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully report on the within Petition of William M Gooding, praying for a renewal of the Lease [202] of N° 511 Pearl street or rather that the same may be extended—The lease does not terminate for several years yet to come—Your Committee without any particular reference to this petition have formed the opinion generally that it is not proper to renew or extend Leases until the existing terms have expired—They see nothing in the present application which should exempt it from such general rule—Under these circumstances Your Committee are therefore constrained to offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Watts and others wishing the Corporation to apply to the Legislature to abandon the large Military Square &c presented the following Report

The Finance Committee beg leave respectfully to report on the within Petition of [203] John Watts and others—The Petitioners wish the Corporation to apply to the Legislature to abandon the large Military square in the 12th Ward or to take the premises and pay therefor—This subject was heretofore referred to the Committee on Lands and Places whose report is now on the Table—Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Finance Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the within Petition and that the same together with the Report on that subject heretofore made to the Board by the Committee on Lands and Places be referred to the Committee on Lands and Places and the Street Commissioner with the request that the same may be speedily reported upon in order that an Application to the Legislature may if necessary be made at the present Session

All which is respectfully submitted

William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was read and referred agreeably to the recommendation of the Report to the [204] Committee on Lands & Places and the Street Commissioner

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Edward Higgins praying to be relieved as security for Henry W Peckwell presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully report on the within Petition of Edward Higgins praying to be relieved in the suit by the Corpora-

tion against him as security for H W Peckwell late Collector of the 2d Ward—The balance due by Higgins & Peckwell is about 4500 dollars—Mr Higgins wishes to be discharged on paying 1000 dollars To this your Committee cannot agree. Your Committee were disposed to be reasonable in treating with the Petitioner, but the terms offered by him are in their opinion altogether unreasonable—They therefore offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[205] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Report of the former Finance Committee on the subject of Petition of S W Thompson and presented the following Report against the same

The former Report was as follows

The Finance Committee respectfully report on the within Petition of Samuel M Thompson and others, owners of Water Grants on the North River—It appears that in the Water Grants, the Corporation do not grant the right of Collecting Wharfage in front of those parts of West street, which form the continuation of the Streets running to the River, Altho' the persons to whom the grants are made have to build the part of the Wharf opposite to such streets running to the River, and to keep the same in repair, yet the right to Collect wharfage is only granted in front of the demised premises and not in front of the continuation of such streets running to the River—The right of wharfage in front of the Corporation property not granted (to wit the streets so running to the River) remains in the Corporation, and the wharfage opposite to the land granted in the Water Grants, is in the owners of such grants, And it seems that the Lessees of the Public Docks & Slips, or some of them insist upon [206] their right to Collect wharfage in front of the continuation of such streets—In doing this one of them has entered into controversies with the Petitioners, or some of them, the Petitioners therefore wish the Corporation to release them from the covenant to repair so much of the wharf in front of the continuation of Streets or not to Lease in future the wharfage in front of such

continuation of Streets, or they ask that the right to collect such wharfage should be granted to them

The reason why the Streets or wharfage in front are not granted, are manifest—The fee of the streets ought to be in the Corporation; and if the wharfage at the foot of Streets was granted away, it would interfere with the power of the Corporation to establish Ferries at the foot of Public Streets and might in other respects interfere with the exercise of public improvements at the foot or in continuation of the Streets running to the river, For these among many reasons your Committee do not think it would be expedient to make the proposed grant to the Petitioners—Nor do your Committee think that it would be proper for the Corporation to release the Petitioners from the Covenant to repair the Wharves at the foot of the streets running to the River—Those covenants were part of the consideration of the grants and ought to remain as they are—With respect to the Collection of Wharfage, by the Lessees of the Public Docks & Slips in front of such streets running to [207] the river, Your Committee think that here after such right may as well not be leased

The amount collected must be very small and inconsiderable; and the difference in the contract prices for the Leases, will not, owing to this reservation vary materially from the prices if this reservation was not made—The contentions complained of by some of the Petitioners, owing to the Collection of such Wharfage by the Corporation Lessees, will be entirely avoided by omitting to Lease the same; and the Public your Committee think will not loose any thing by the arrangement

The Leases of the present year cannot however be interfered with, as they do not terminate until the 1st of May next—Your Committee therefore propose that this subject be disposed of prior to granting the Leases for the next year—And offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Board

I. Resolved that the Leases of the Public Docks & Slips hereafter contain the reservation above recommended

II. Resolved that this subject be laid upon the Table, and be laid before the Board for its consideration by the Honor the Mayor at the first regular meeting of the Board in the Month of February next

[208] All which is respectfully submitted

Campbell P White
John Agnew
William W Mott
Anthony Lamb

The Report made at this Meeting was as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred a Report of a former Finance Committee on the subject of a Petition of Samuel M Thompson & others beg leave respectfully to Report thereon, that the before mentioned Report proposes that the Wharfage at the foot of Public streets ought not to be leased out—This report it seems was adopted under the idea that the proposed exception of Wharfage at the foot of the Streets would not materially alter the price for which the public wharfage would be leased by Auction—Your Committee however are satisfied that this was a mistaken Idea, and that the proposed reservation of the foot of streets would make a considerable difference in the prices for which the Wharves would Lease—Your Committee having considered the Petition referred to in the Report and heard one of the parties interested, cannot think it expedient or proper to interfere in the matter—The wharfage at the foot of Streets belongs to the Corporation by the terms of the Grants, and never has been granted by the Corporation to any person or persons—If the [209] Petitioners think that the Wharfage does not belong to the Corporation, they have the right to raise the Question in such manner as they may be advised—But your Committee cannot under the circumstances of this matter recommend a relinquishment of any of the Corporation rights, nor do they think it proper to propose to omit leasing the wharfage at the foot of Public Streets

The following Resolution is therefore submitted to the consideration of the Board

Resolved that it is inexpedient to omit the foot of Streets, or to make any similar exception in the Leases to be made of the Public Docks and Slips

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
W W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Resolution directing the Commissioners of the Alms [House] to Report the Account of Supplies purchased for the use [210] of the Bellevue establishment presented the following Report

The Finance Committee to whom the annexed Resolution was

referred " requesting the Commissioners of the Alms House to report to the Board an Account of the supplies purchased for the Bellevue establishment for the year ending on the 31st day of December 1827 specifying the prices of the several Articles furnished and the persons from whom the same were purchased "

Beg leave to Report, that in order the better to form an opinion as to the propriety of recommending to the Board to require a detailed report from the Commissioners as contemplated by the Resolution. They have vis[i]ted the Alms House and have examined the Books of the establishment which are kept by a Clerk appointed by this Board and as far as your Committee could ascertain they were kept in a Methodical and correct manner

The Vouchers & Bills on Account of the Establishment for the last Six months ending the 31st Decr last were also submitted to the Inspection and examination of Your Committee, from which it appears that the expenditures for that period amount to nearly $43,300 Dollars—As *as* far as your Committee could judge the purchas*e*rs were judiciously made, and a very small part of the supplies for that period appear to have been [211] *been* furnished by any of the Members of the present or late Corporation or by persons in any way connected with them or with the Commissioners—They further Report from the whole examination made by them they are fully persuaded that the Commissioners have in no case directed or caused purchases to be made from any particular individual, but on the contrary the uniform course pursued by them has been to direct purchases to be made where Articles could be procured upon the best terms

And they have no doubt these directions have been fulfilled in perfect good faith

Your Committee do not therefore deem it necessary to recommend the adoption of the resolution referred to them but in order that every member of the Board may in future have easy access to the documents which exhibit in detail all the expenditures for the said Establishment by the Commissioners

Your Committee recommend that in future they be required to file duplicate vouchers with their account current in the Comptrollers Office at the end of each quarter

All of which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
John R Peters

[212] Which was read accepted, and directed to be filed

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Francis & James Kain for payment of their Bill for erecting a Monument to the Memory of Major John Paulding the Captor of Andre presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of H Smith to be relieved from a part of his personal Tax presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Haziel Smith praying to be released from a part of his personal Tax beg leave to Report

That they believe the claims of the Petitioner for a reduction would be just—He being Deaf and Dumb the usual course pursued by the Committee was dispensed with Interogatories could not be satisfac-to[r]ily made, the Certificate of the Assessors your Committee think in this case had ought to be sufficient and they respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that your Committee are of opinion that a reduction from $1000, to 200 Dollars would be just and equitable [213] as prayed for by the Petitioner

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jane Armstrong for a reduction of Tax on real estate presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jane Armstrong praying for a Reduction of Tax on real estate beg leave to Report

There has evidently been an Error in Copying the Assessment It would appear that $900 was the proper sum to be Assessed instead of $1900 which fact has been fully proved by the Certificate of the Assessors in connection with the Collector they Respectfully submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it would be just and proper to grant the prayer of the Petitioner and reduce the same to $900, as was originally intended

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
[214] Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Margaret Geib to be relieved from a part of her Tax on Real estate presented the following Report against the Petition

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Margaret Geib praying to be released from a part of her Tax on Real estate beg leave to Report

That the claims made by the Petitioner for redress of grieveances had not ought to be granted the evidence not being satisfactory to your Committee they respectfully submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Peter McCarty to be released from the payment of his personal Tax presented the following Report in favor

[215] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Peter M^{c}Carty praying to be released from personal Tax beg leave to Report

That he personally appeared before your Committee being duly sworn gave satisfactory evidence and also a Certificate of Assessors which is complying with the usual course pursued by your Committee and they are of opinion his claims for redress are just and equitable They respectfully submit the following resolution

Resolved that the Prayer of the Petitioner had ought to be granted and he be released from personal Tax

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
William W Mott
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Norsworthy praying to be relieved from the payment of an excessive Taxation presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to [216] whom was referred the annexed Petition of Samuel Norsworthy praying to be relieved from

an excess of Tax on Lots Nos 23. 24. 25 & 26 between 24th & 24[5]th Streets

Respectfully Report

That from the Certificate of E Doughty Collector of the 12th Ward and the Affidavit of T J Waters Collector of Arrears of Taxes hereto annexed it appears that said Lots were originally Assessed at $600 the taxes of which amount to $1.44 but that in transcribing the same on the Collectors Books the said Lots were rated at $6000, and taxed accordingly

Your Committee deeming it right and proper that this error should be corrected offer for the adoption of the Common Council the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of said Petition be granted and that said Lots Nos 23. 24. 25 & 26 on the 9th Avenue between 24th & 25th Streets in the 12th ward be released from all Taxes on payment by Samuel Norsworthy of the sum of $1.44 on each Lot

Bernard J Meserole
Henry B Bolster
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of George Rapelje [217] to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax presented the following Report against the Petition

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of George Rapelje to be released from Personal Tax

Beg Leave to Report

That it would appear to your Committee after having investigated the claims set forth by the Petitioner on Account of his residence the greater part of which has been in the City and your Committee are of the opinion He of right ought to be assessed where he has resided the greatest length of time, they respectfully submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
William W Mott
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have West street paved from Reed to Harrison street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom [218] was referred the annexed Petition to have West street paved from Reed to Harrison streets Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion that street requires paving and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that West street be regulated and paved from Reed street to Harrison street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the owners of property on the 7th Avenue for opening said Avenue from Greenwich Lane to 21st Street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the owners of Property on the Seventh Avenue for opening said Avenue from Greenwich Lane to Twenty first street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion that Avenue is required to be opened and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions

Resolved that the Seventh Avenue be [219] opened from Greenwich Lane to Twenty first Street

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening 11th & 12th Streets between the Bowery and the 3d Avenue presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening 12th Street between the Bowery and the Third Avenue—And also

for opening Eleventh street from the Bowery to a line parallel to the Third Avenue And two hundred and fifty [feet]—westerly therefrom Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the opening of those streets is much required and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions

Resolved that Twelfth street be [220] opened from the Bowery to the Third Avenue

Resolved that Eleventh street be opened from the Bowery to a line drawn Two hundred and fifty feet Westerly of the Third Avenue

Resolved that the Counsel of this Board take the usual measures for having the foregoing Resolutions carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Avenue D regulated and paved from North Street to between 8th & 9th Streets presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Avenue D regulated and paved from North street to between eighth and Ninth streets and also the several remonstrances against the same, on all which your Committee

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the paving of that Avenue is much required inasmuch as it is the only direct communication from North street to the Dry dock—The reasons assigned by the remonstrants against the paving of that Avenue [221] is not, that it is not required to be paved but their objection arises from the regulation as fixed by this Board for that section of the City and which your Committee deem unnecessary and inexpedient to depart from And accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Avenue D be paved from North street to One hundred feet Northerly of Eighth street on the regulation as fixed and determined on by this Common Council

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the 2d Avenue from 1st Street to 5th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the Second Avenue from 1st Street to 5th Street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion that part of the [222] 2d Avenue ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Second Avenue be regulated and paved from First street to Fifth street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to [whom] was referred the Petition for paving the side walks of Charles street between Washington and Herring streets presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition for having the side walks of Charles street paved between Washington and Herring streets respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Side walks of Charles street be paved between Washington and Herring streets

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
[223] William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and repaving Chesnut street from Madison to Oak street presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for paving Morton street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom the Petition for paving Morton street was referred respectively Report

That in their opinion that Street ought to be paved and therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Morton street be paved from Washington street to Arden street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[224] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Martin Habershaw & Abner Weyman for permission to extend the side Walks in front of their buildings in Nassau street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed [Petition] of Martin Habershaw and Abner Weyman for permission to extend the side walks in front of their buildings in Nassau Street to the width allowed by Law

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Third street regulated between the Bowery and Lewis street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was [225] referred the annexed Petition to have Third Street regulated between the Bowery and Lewis street respectfully Report.

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted as far as it relates to that Street between the First Avenue and Lewis sreet as that part of it from the Bowery and the First Avenue is already regulated—Accordingly the adoption of the following Resolution is recommended by the Committee

Resolved that Third street be regulated from the First Avenue to Lewis street agreeably to the profile thereof as adopted by this Board

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R. Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Cornelius T Williams and others to have 15th Street opened from the Bowery to the 3d Avenue presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom [226] was referred the petition of Cornelius T Williams and others to have the Fifteenth street opened from the Bowery to the Third Avenue respectfully Report—That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions

Resolved that Fifteenth street be opened from the Bowery to the Third Avenue

Resolved that the Counsel take the usual measures for having the subject of the foregoing resolution carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have Scammel Street paved from Harman street to Cherry street presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the petition of sundry persons to have Scammel street paved from Harman street to Cherry street that in their opinion that street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution

[227] Resolved that Scammel Street be regulated and paved from Harman to Cherry street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening 10th Street from the 3d Avenue to Stuyvesant Street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening 10th Street from the Third Avenue to Stuyvesant street respectfully—Report

That in their opinion that part of 10th Street ought to be opened inasmuch as it is the only portion of the Street that remains unopened—Accordingly they submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Tenth street be opened from the Third Avenue to the Centre of Stuyvesant street

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures [228] for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the owners of the grounds lying between the 1st & 4th Avenues and 21st & 30th Streets offering to cede the said Streets presented the following Report in favor of accepting said Cessions

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of the owners of the Grounds lying between the First and Fourth Avenues and the Twenty first and Thirtieth streets offering to cede to the Corporation of this City all the aforesaid Streets respectfully

Report

Their opinion by the following Resolution

Resolved that the Common Council of this City accept the Cession of all the Streets between the Twenty first and Thirtieth streets and the First and Fourth Avenues on the usual terms and conditions

Gideon Ostrander
[229] Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph

D Baldwin & others to have the sidewalks of the 6th Avenue paved from Herring street to 6th Street &c presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed [Petition] of Joseph D Baldwin and others to have the side walks of the Sixth Avenue paved from Herring street to Sixth street—And of Fifth street between 6th Avenue and McDougal street—That in their opinion the laying of side walks in those streets is much required and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Side walks of the Sixth Avenue be paved from Herring Street to Sixth street

Resolved that the side walks of Fifth street be paved from the Sixth Avenue to McDougal Street

Gideon Ostrander
[230] Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Wark to be relieved from a fine imposed upon him by the Court of Sessions presented the following Report

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of John Wark

Report

That the Petitioner was fined by the Court of Sessions in the sum of Twenty dollars for conduct which the Court considered illegal in arresting and committing an assault on Isaac Whitehead; which fine the said Petitioner has paid, and now asks the Corporation to refund or pay back the same or for other relief.

Your Committee has considered that it was not in their Province to enter into the question whether the Petitioner was properly fined or not being of opinion that the Corporation cannot with propriety admit such applications or in any manner sanction them so far as relates to the fine or payment of Costs

The Courts of the State are the only [231] tribunals to judge of the conduct of the Citizens whether they hold Offices under the Corporation or not, and for the Corporation to interfere by refunding the fine, would in the opinion of your Committee be setting an improper if not an illegal precedent.

But the Committee remark that they have learned, that super added to the fine which the Court imposed—The Court directed that

the Petitioners name be stricken off the list of Marshalls attending the Court of Sessions

Your Committee are of opinion that the fine & costs imposed upon the Petitioner were, or ought to have been, the *the* full measure of the punishment inflicted by the Court, and if the Petitioner is unfit for any cause to be a Marshall, the Mayor after an examination into his conduct, it is presumed would have displaced him, and prevented him attending not only the Court of Sessions but on any other Court—The removal of the Petitioner from attending the Court of Sessions as Marshall has been in the opinion of your Committee a heaping of one punishment upon another not called for by the nature of the Offence

Your Committee therefore [232] report the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to interfere with the Sentence of the Court which inflicted a fine and the payment of Costs on John Wark, but that the Sheriff return him for the pay which he would have been entitled to if he had been an attending Marshall on the Court of Sessions for the last four Terms

All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Fickett for the remission of a fine for not filling in Sunken Lots presented the following Report in favor

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Samuel Fickett

Report

That they find the facts stated by the Petitioner to be substantially correct and that the Lots in question are filled in and the Ordinance complied with

They therefore report the following Resolution

Resolved that the suit against [233] Samuel Fickett be discontinued on the payment of all the Costs of Suit

Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb
James Lynch

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition for abolishing, and the Resolution respecting regulating the Office of Pawnbrokers and dealers in second hand clothing &c presented a Report accompanied with a Law Corresponding therewith which were laid on the Table for consideration and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Committee on Arts and Sciences to whom was referred the Petition of William Dunlap Historical and Portrait Painter to paint for the Corporation a Historical painting of the Inauguration of President Washington presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Tobias Boudinot [234] and Henry Collins for Butchers Licences presented the following Report in their favor

The Market Committee on the annexed petitions of Tobias Boudinot for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall N° 10 Fulton Market and of Henry Collins for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall N° 22 Catherine Market transferred to him by Walter Durbrow—Respectfully Report

That the said Petitioners are recommended as men of good Moral Character and steady habits, and regular bred Butchers—Your Committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the said Petitioners ought to be granted

Anthony Lamb
Samuel Stevens
Ab^{m} M Valentine
W^{m} Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Petition of several persons to be appointed Captain and Assistant of the 3^{d} District Watch presented the following Report

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions of persons to be appointed Captain and Assistant of 3^{d} District Watch occasioned by the resignation of Andrew [235] Blakely beg leave to Report

That they have had the several applications under consideration and find all the applicants to be men of Character in whom the public may have the fullest confidence

They have however under all the circumstances agreed to submit the following Resolutions to the Board.

Resolved that Isaac Haring be and he is hereby appointed Captain 3d District Watch in place of Captain Blakely resigned

Resolved that John Mangin be and he is hereby appointed Assistant in the place of Isaac Haring promoted

Abm M Valentine
W Seaman
J R Peters
Bernard J Meserole
John Shepherd Junr

Which was approved and the First Resolution adopted—The second Resolution being read the Board proceeded to Ballot when Peter M Bogert was declared duly elected Assistant of the 3d District Watch—And it was Resolved that Isaac Haring be appointed Captain and Peter M Bogert Assistant of the 3d District City Watch

[236] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of William McIntire for permission to keep hemp and Naval stores in his Store No 192 Front street presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of persons residing in the vicinity of Burnt Mill point for a Fire Engine presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully Report on the within Petition of persons residing at and in the vicinity of Burnt mill point for an Engine to be stationed in that Neighbourhood

That in the opinion of your Committee the request is reasonable and ought to be granted—The hazard of fire is rendered much greater in consequence of there being no Engine near, and the houses are mostly constructed of wooden Materials together with the Vessels resorting to the wharves at that place.

The Dry Dock Company offer to cede to the Corporation 13 feet by 25 of ground provided the Common Council will cause a brick building to be erected thereon, and place a good Engine in the same Therefore

Resolved than[t] when the Dry Dock Company make the cession as above stated and is approved by the Counsel of this [237] Board that the Superintendant of repairs be directed to erect a Brick building on the ground so ceded, and plaace a good Engine in the same, under the direction of the Committee on the Fire Department, and the Com-

pany attached to said Engine be allowed to consist of Eighteen men and no more—Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons relative to depositing manure &c presented a Report prohibiting the Deposit of Manure in future. which was read—Alderman Ireland then presented a Resolution—Whereas the delivery of the Manure sold by the Superintendant for cleaning streets appears to be offensive to the inhabitants residing in the vicinity where such manure is delivered therefore Resolved that said Superintendant be and he is hereby requested to apportion the delivery of all the manure sold by him so as to equalise as near as may be the time of occupying such places of deposit and delivery—Whereupon the whole subject was laid on the Table for further consideration

[238] The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Resolution of the Board respecting building a Pier at the foot of Christopher street for the accommodation of Hay Boats presented a Report which was read—A motion was made to lay the same on the Table, the question being taken thereon and a Division called by Alderman Peters the members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Ireland Lozier Coe Pittman Valentine Woodruff, Mr Stevens Lynch Sibell Seaman Meserole Palmer 13

In the Negative Ald Smith Mott Lamb Peters Ostrander Schieffelin Mr Bolton Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Amerman Bolster Macneven 13

The Board being equally divided, His Honor the Mayor gave his vote in the Affirmative—So the Report was laid on the Table

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the subject of extending [239] West street across Spring street Slip presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred a Resolution to extend West street across Spring street Slip Respectfully Report

That the head of said Slip is shoal and nearly useless for Vessels and that the contemplated Market will approach within a few feet of the present Bulk head

Therefore your Committee recommend the extension of West street across said Slip and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that West Street be extended across Spring Street

John R Peters
Isaac Brown
Lemuel Pittman
John Shepherd Junr
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump west side of the Bowery near Ninth street presented the following Report.

[240] The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Soloman Skidmore and others beg leave to Report

That in their opinion the Prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug and Pump placed in the same near the corner of Bowery and Ninth street

John R Peters
Isaac Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of John M Ryer for the Office of City Weigher presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of John M Ryer to be appointed a Weighmaster have made enquiry as to his Character &c and find him every way qualified to perform the duties of the Office he solicits

Your Committee therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that John M Ryer be and he is hereby appointed a Weighmaster for [241] the City and County of New York in the place of Samuel Lyon deceased

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and he was accordingly appointed a City Weigher in and for the City & County of New York

The Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of erecting a Monument to the late John Paulding one of the Captors of Major Andre presented the following Report

The Special Committee appointed to erect a Monument to the memory of John Paulding one of the Captors of Major Andre

Beg leave to Report

That they have performed that duty and have collected all the Bills relating to that bussiness from which it will appear that they amount to the sum of Two thousand & seventy eight $^{69}/_{100}$ dollars from which sum deduct Eleven hundred dollars already appropriated will leave a ballance of Nine hundred and seventy eight $^{69}/_{100}$ Dollars to meet all the demands for the above purpose—The Committee therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

[242] Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to report a Warrant for $1233,^{80}/_{100}$ in favor of Mess^{rs} Francis & James Kaine

Ab^{m} M Valentine
John Lozier
Gideon Ostrander

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and the Comptroller was directed to report a Warrant agreeably thereto

Resignations was received from Cornelius N Sharpe and Joseph Johnson as Inspectors of special Election for an Assessor in the 13th Ward which were accepted—Whereupon Drake B Palmer & George Klots were appointed to fill the vacancies

The Special Committee on Gas who were charged with the duty of erecting the necessary fixtures for lighting Broadway with Gas from the Battery to Grand street presented the following Report

The Special Committee who were charged with the duty of erecting the necessary fixtures for lighting Broadway from the Battery to Grand street with Gas beg leave respectfully to

Report

That soon after their appointment, doubts having arisen whether the Board was at liberty to [243] discontinue the lighting with Gas, if they should see fit to do so, after entering upon the Contract, they obtained from the Gas Company their written assent to light the Public lamps during the pleasure of the Board; which has been placed on file in the Comptrollers Office

Through the agency of their late Chairman P W Engs Esq[r] to whose arrangements and assistance they are greatly indebted contracts were entered into for the necessary materials and labour which has since been furnished and the work done to satisfaction

The Comptroller has reported Warrants in favor of different persons on their bills certified by your Committee, to the amount of 2170 $^{25}/_{100}$ dollars and the Superintendent of Lamps has paid 48 $^{3}0/_{100}$ Dolls Of these sums 1877 $^{91}/_{100}$ dollars have been expended under the appropriation of 2000 Dollars for lighting Broadway and 340 $^{64}/_{100}$ dollars under the resolution directing the large Lamps, placed at the West end of the Park and at the Bowling Green

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
R Riker
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved

[244] The Special Committee on Gas to whom was referred the subject of lighting Pearl & Chatham streets with Gas presented the following Report

The Committee on Gas, to whom was referred the annexed Resolution directing them to enquire into the expediency of lighting Chatham street from the South west end of the Park to the Bowery and thence to Grand street and also a Petition of a large number of Merchants in Pearl street praying that street may be lighted with Gas and the Watch increased beg leave to Report

That in the opinion of your Committee both Chatham and Pearl streets should be better lighted than they now are, as a matter of public convenience, and for the better security of property stored on these streets. They therefore recommend the lighting with Gas, of Chatham Street from the South west end of the Park to the Bowery and Pearl street from the Battery to Franklin Square; according to their estimate the first will require 40 Lamps at a distance of 80 feet from each other and will cost 960 Dollars the latter will require 46 Lamps and will cost 1104 Dollars making the whole Cost short of 2100 Dollars and will leave at the disposal of the Superintendant of Lamps to be placed elsewhere, a number of Oil Lamps, that would cost the City 600 Dollars so that the difference 1500 Dollars only may be considered as the sum to be [245] expended—The Gas lamp when properly attended affords a light of three burners the flame being about 3½ inches in height and burning with increased brightness as the shops and public

places extinguish their lights—The Oil lamp has two burners giving a flame of about 1½ Inches in height gradually diminishing as the Oil is consumed and affording less than half the light of a Gas Lamp

The average cost of lighting with Oil may be stated at 8 Dollars and the lamp Post and fixtures at 10 Dollars each—The Gas Company are bound by their contract to light the Public Lamps at the same price it costs to light with Oil say 8 Dollars the posts and fixtures are estimated at 24 Dollars making the Cost of a Gas lamp and lighting for the first year 32 dollars and if two oil Lamps be required to produce the same light their cost for the first year will be 36 Dollars and for every year after double that of a Gas Lamp; they therefore submit the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Special Committee on Gas be auth[o]rised to procure and set up the necessary fixtures for lighting Chatham street with Gas from the South west end of [246] the Park to the Bowery; and Pearl street from the Battery to Franklin Square.

Resolved that so much of the Petition of the Merchants of Pearl street as relates to increasing the Watch in that Street be referred to the Watch Committee

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
R Riker
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Counsel presented a Report of a Lease to King and Mead of Lot N° 4 Peck Slip

The Counsel herewith encloses a Lease to Aaron O King and Abraham B Mead of a Lot on Peck Slip known as N° 4 of Corporation Lots for 21 years from the 1st of May next at the annual rent of $130, the lease contains the clause for perpetual renewal—It being a renewal of the Lease heretofore granted to John Park of which King & Mead are the assignees

This Lease has been prepared according to the Instructions of the Comptroller, and conformably to the agreement made by the Finance Committee on the subject—The Lease is submitted in order that if approved it may be directed to be authenticated

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was approved and the Lease directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

[247] The Counsel presented a Report of Deeds to David Brooks & John Millard of Lots near Roosevelt Street in Front and Water street

The Counsel herewith submits a Deed to David Brooks for a Lot on Water street consideration $7100, also a Deed to John Millard for a Lot on Front street consideration $3900 These Deeds have been prepared according to the Directions of the Board upon the Report of the Comptroller and are now submitted in order that they may be directed to be authenticated

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was approved and the deeds directed to be executed

The Street Commissioner presented a Deed of Cession from the Farmers Fire & Loan Company of certain streets in the 12th Ward which was read and referred to the Counsel of the Board

The Street Commissioner presented a Deed of cession from Samuel Boyd for 18th Street from the 8th Avenue to the Hudson River— Which was accepted and directed to be Recorded

[248] The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of a Delinquent on a Lien on Lots of Morgiana Welden

The Street Commissioner herewith covers the Return of the Collector for a Lien held by this Corporation on certain Lots of ground belonging to Morgianna Welden in order that a Warrant may issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof

Respectfully submitted

R Graves Stᵗ Comʳ

Whereupon a Warrant was ordered to issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of a Delinquent on a Lien on ground belonging to Mary C P Macomb

The Street Commissioner herewith covers the return of the Collector for a lien held by the Corporation on a Lot of ground belonging to Mary C P Macomb in order that a Warrant may issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

Respectfully submitted

R Graves Stᵗ Comʳ

Whereupon a Warrant was ordered to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed [249] and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For pitching and paving Greenwich street from Hammond to Bank street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For pitching and paving Fourth street from the Bowery to Broadway and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For regulating Third street from 1[st] Avenue to Lewis street and Samuel S[t] John Robert Wardell and Brigham Howe appointed Assessors

For paving the Side walks of Charles street from Washington to Herring Street and Thomas Hertell Cary Dunn and John McKesson were appointed Assessors

For paving the side walks of the Sixth Avenue and Fifth street and John Brown William AlBurtis and John Boyce were appointed Assessors

[250] For paving West street from Reed street to Harrison street and Abraham Dally Francis Peckwell and Thomas Hering appointed Assesors

For paving Avenue D from North street to 100 feet Northerly of Eighth street and Reuben Munson Henry Cotheal and John B Thorp were appointed Assessors

For paving Scammel street from Harman to Cherry street and Oliver Drake Alexander Coffin and Abraham Bloodgood appointed Assessors

For paving Morton street from Washington to Arden street and John Slidell Abraham Lefoy and Henry Mead were appointed Assessors

For paving the 2[d] Avenue from 1[st] to 5[th] Street and John Targee Ab[m] Baudoine and Shivers Parker appointed Assessors

The Street Commissioner presented a Report together with a Profile of Madison street from Pike Street to Clinton street which was referred to the Street Committee

[251] The Comptroller presented a Report requesting the directions of the Board as to an application made by the Street Commissioner for $250 on Account of Repairs to Lands and Places which was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers

The Comptroller presented the following Report on a Release of Quit Rent to John C Newton

The Comptroller respectfully presents to the Board for their approbation a Release of Quit Rent on a Water Lot between Beach and Hubert streets in the 5th Ward granted to Joseph Newton on the 4th day of December 1804 It was commuted by John Cha[r]les Newton on the 6th Inst; and the Indenture is approved by the Counsel of the Board

G N Bleecker Comptr

Whereupon the release was directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which were appointed and the Resignations accepted

[252] No 5

Gilbert H Ball—Cabinet Maker No 19 Liberty St
Vc Peter D Vroom—Time expired.

John Furlong Chair Painter Elm St Vc John Bingham—Resigned

No 16

John Stickler—Grocer Cor Broadway & Leonard St
vc Adam Degrushe—Resigned.

No 18

James M Hoyt
James Welsh
Azel McCammon
Edward Banker
George W Tremper
} Resigned.

No 19

Robert Hicks—Mason 97 Orchard Street
vc Cornelius Demarest—Resigned

Joseph Waterbury—Ship wright 261 Delancy St
vc Philip H Branson—Resigned

William D Odell
George Bijotat
William Miller
} Resigned

No 26

Levi B Devoe—Shoemaker 139 Clinton St
vc William Conklin—Resigned

No 34

Charles Thurbur—Butcher Sullivan near Bleecker St
vc Stephen Darrin Resigned.

N° 39

William T Kemp—Accountant Duane Cor Chatham S^t^
v^c^ Peter W Hinton Resigned.

[253] N° 41

Seaman Wright Cartman 114 Willet S^t^
v^c^ Philip Snyder—Resigned
David B Jenkins—Mason 171 Delancy S^t^
v^c^ William Brown Left the City

46.

Charles S Seabury—Cabinet Maker Corner of 26^th^ S^t^ & 3^d^ Avenue
Joseph Snyder Cabinet Maker 26^th^ Street near 3^d^ Avenue
Appointed to fill the Company

Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 2

David Tucker—Cabinet Maker 15 Barclay S^t^
v^c^ Benj^n^ J Scribner Resigned
William K Thorne—Cartman 82 John S^t^
v^c^ W^m^ C M^c^Intosh Resigned
Baxter Howe—Accountant 74 Fulton S^t^
v^c^ Thomas D Beatty Resigned

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz^t^

N°	1.	M Gardner	Owner	N°	52 Beaver Lane	A privy
	2.	J Lang	do		53 do	D°
	3.	J Marsh	Do		73 Catharine S^t^	D°
	4.	[254] R^t^ Lenox	do		45 Chapel S^t^	D°
	5.	S Lozier	do		59 do	D°
	6.	D°	D°		61 D°	D°
	7.	J Westervelt	Agent		73 D°	D°
	8.	D°	D°		75 D°	D°
	9.	D°	D°		77 D°	D°
	10	M Brownhill	Owner		97 D°	D°
	11.	B Prince	D°		20 Cherry S^t^	D°
	12.	S Purdy	D°		1 Chesnut	D°
	13.	E Tillas	D°		8 D°	D°
	14.	J Brill	D°		107 Church S^t^	D°
	15.	M Lewis	D°		161 D°	D°
	16.	W Baxter	do		167 D°	D°
	17.	W Hays	D°		183 D°	D°

No 18.	C Oakly	Owner	195½	Church St	A privy
19.	C Bedell	Do	205	Do	Do
20.	J Moffat	Do	207	Do	Do
21.	R & M Brown	Do	209	Do	Do
22.	Cs Johnson	Do	221	Do	Do
23.	Rd Varick	Do	48	Cortlandt St	Do
24.	J Rooney	Lessee	68	Cross St	Do
25.	E Ruckle	Owner	180	Duane St	Do
26.	W Few	Do	214	Do	Do
27.	J A Hardenbrook	Do	114	Fulton St	Do
28.	W L Roan	Occupt	117	Greenwich St	Do
29.	H M Vansolingen	owner	161	Do	Do
30	Sl Webb	Agent	3	Henry St	Do
31	Do	Do	5	do	Do
32	[255] J Fowler	do	48	John St	do
33.	D Tylee	do	32	Laurens St	do
34.	W McIlwain	do	36	do	Do
[35]	A Surre	do	42	do	Do
36.	[G. Haight]	[Do	No 90	Liberty St	Do]
37.	G. C Verplank	do	32	North Moore St	Do
38	Cs J Clark	do	13	Mott St	do
39	J Watts	do	20	Orchard St	Do
40.	N Tompkins	do	1	Pump St	do
41.	A Vass	do	2	do	Do
42.	N U Tompkins	do	11	do	Do
43	Bn Bailey	do	114	Reed St	Do
44.	H Beekman	do	137	do	Do
45.	S Hardenbrook	do	139	Do	Do
46.	S Lawrence	do	143	do	do
47	A Campbell Senr	do	7	Republican Alley	Do
48.	G W Platt	do	26	Thomas St	Do
49.	J Riker	do	30	do	Do
50	J Pentel	do	56	Warren St	Do
51.	J Stephens	Agent		Warren & Chapel	Do
52	J Mason	owner	343	Water St	Do
53	do	Do	345	do	Do
54.	L Salles	do	109	William St	Do
55	J Marsh	Do	73	Catharine St	A Lot
56.	Cs M Graham	Do		12th Street	Do
57.	J Otter	Do		Do	Do
58.	H Hyde	Do	145	Essex St	Do
59.	C Muller	Do		Houston St	Do
60	J Varian	Do	148	Ludlow St	Do
61.	[256] T Varian	do	154	Do	Do
62.	J Fraser	do	225	Bowery	Do
63.	H. P. Robertson	do	227	do	Do
64.	Wm Butler	do	229	Do	Do
65.	Do	Do		Chrystie St	Do
66.	J Reynolds	Do		do	Do

No 67.	Mrs Betts	owner	Chrystie St	A Lot
68.	D H P Robertson	Do	Rivington St	Do
69.	Heirs of Mr Pope	Do	Do	Do
70.	B Winthrop	Do	148 Ludlow St	Do
71.	Mrs Betts	Do	Rivington St	Do
72.	J Hewlet	Do	Lewis St	Do

George Cuming
City Inspector

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 25th Feby	$32,958.17
Recd for Tax of 1827	33.100.
" " Streets	18.928.20
" " Rents	5.351.88
" " Justices Courts	609.45
" " Wells & Pumps	345.13
" " Cartmans Licences	222.25
" " Mayoralty fees	58.
	$91.573.08

79 Accounts Audited and ordered to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart	Watch	1st Dist		.....	1389.50
Hibberd & Asten	do	2d "		.....	945.
[257] Stagg & Herring	do	3d "		.....	945.
Geo: Cuming City Inspector		1 Qr	Salary 1 Inst	.....	200.
Danl Hageman Superdt Wharves		1 Qr	5 Inst	.....	150.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall		1 Mo	1 Inst	.....	72.50
C Myers Keeper Potters field			" "	.....	65.25
O Ayres Asst City Inspector			" "	.....	56.25
J Coffin	do		" "	.....	56.25
C Gillman Keeper Battery			" "	.....	36.25
A McCready " Park			" "	.....	36.25
J. J. Shoemaker Street Inspectr		1 Ward	" "	.....	43.50
T Woolcocks	do	2d	" "	.....	43.50
J. B Ebbetts	do	3d	" "	.....	43.50
N B Lyon	do	4th	" "	.....	43.50
I. A Isaacs	do	5th	" "	.....	43.50
S Waddell	do	6th	" "	.....	43.50
B Fuller	do	7th	" "	.....	43.50
Wm G Babb	do	8th	" "	.....	43.50
H Mott	do	9th	" "	.....	43.50
T Austin	do	10th	" "	.....	43.50
J Woodruff	do	11th	" "	.....	43.50
D Hubbard	do	13th	" "	.....	43.50
Bernard OConnor	do	14th	32 days "	.....	48.
S Fleet Sunday service 8 Ward		13 days to		.....	19.50
J Morton Clerk C Council for Hack Actts				.....	17.25

J Pinckney Asst Board of Health 1 Mo 1 Inst..... 50.
C Roosa do " " ..... 50.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector
removg nuisances " " 25.15
[258] L Baum Clerk Washington Market " " 72.92
J Gilbert do 3 Markets " " ..... 63.
P Amerman do do " " 50.50
J Bremner Clerk Catharine Do " " ..... 58.
G Duryea do Fulton do " " 41.67
I Asten sweeper do do " " 46.19
R Smith Clerk Franklin do " " 36.25
J Seaman Clerk Manhattan do " " ..... 29.
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 9th Inst..... 157.07
J Hays for Officers extra Service Police 1 Qr 26 Feby 391.83
J Hays for conveyg Prisoners to City Prison do 1 Feby 187.50
J Hays for convey Prisoners to Penitentiary & House of
Refuge 6 Mo 26 Feby..... 9.00
Jos L Hays for 16 Peace Officers at Chatham St riot in
Novr 1827 ..... 35.50
O M Lownds Sheriff for Officers attending Circuit Court
26 Novr 1827 to 16 Feby 1828..... 343.75
D T Valentine Marshall of Marine Court 1 Mo 1 Inst..... 31.25
Office of American Subscription 6 Mo 26 Feb..... 50.
G Snethen lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 Inst..... 1336.37
R Provoost painting & Glazing Lamps 1 Mo 1 Inst..... 291.97
David Codwise Trustee for Adelia D Pell
Award forming Public Square 9th Ward 43.550.
Thomas Hyatt Award Do Do 8.200.
Trustees of Scotch Presbyterian Church do Do 7.000.
Trustees of 2d Associate reformed Church do Do 2.500.
John Lowerre Award openg Vestry Street at Hudson St... 4.200.
J Pettigrew Actt flagg side walks Gt Jones St fm Bdway to
Bowery ..... 1300.
T Cummings Actt reg & pav Factory fm Chr to Bank St. 700.
O McCabe reg & pav Stanton St fm Goerck St to Bulkhead 662.41
T Cummings Actt reg & pav Hammond fm Asylum St to
Greenwh Lane ..... 650.
[259] O McCabe reg & pav Rivington St fm Goerck St to
bulkhead 577.75
T Cummings Actt reg & pav Perry St fm Greenwich Lane
to Washington St..... 500.
T Cummings " " Charles St fm Washington St
to Greenwich Lane..... 400
S Fargay Actt Cross walks 2d Ward..... 380.
T Cummings bal reg & pav Bank St fm Greenwich Lane to
Hudson River 379.49
H Smith Actt pav Side walks Harman & Grand Sts..... 350.
T Cummings bal reg & pav Commerce St fm Herring St to
Church line 333.28

P. Smith Act^{t} repav South S^{t} fm Coffee House Slip to DePeyster S^{t}	300.	
H Smith Act^{t} repav Cortlandt S^{t} fm Broadway to West S^{t}	300.	
T Cummings Act^{t} reg & pav Herring S^{t} fm Amos to Bank S^{t}	280.	
S Fargay Act^{t} repav Maiden Lane fm Broadway to William S^{t}	200.	
H Cochran Act^{t} pav Gore at Beach Chapel & Walker S^{ts}	200.	
Estate of John Sloan bal pav Amity S^{t} fm Broadway to 6 Avenue	179.76	
S Fargay Act^{t} widen^{g} side walks Elm S^{t} fm Reed to Pearl S^{t}	150.	
H Smith Act^{t} laying cross walks 6th Ward	150.	
D Mehan bal repav Pearl S^{t} fm Broadway to Elm S^{t}	85.59	
S Burgess by Ja^{s} Patten 4th & last payment build^{g} 2 Piers at Public Basin B Rivington & Stanton S^{t}	1905.	
J Gallagher Sen^{r} bal Well Essex Market	50.87	
J M^{c}Barren bal Well Bank near Factory S^{t}	45.	
J M^{c}Barren 1st pay^{t} Well Jane near Asylum S^{t}	31.25	
J M Bloodgood Super Streets (ordered by Board 25 Feb^{y})	1000.	
New York Gas Light Company bal of Act^{t} in full	84.72	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House	5000.	89.561.04
	Balance	$2012.04

The Board then adjourned to meet on Monday next the 17th Ins^{t} for the purpose of taking into consideration the unfinished bussiness before the Board

[260] In Common Council March 17. 1828 Adjourned Meeting

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard. Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Jun^{r}
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Abraham M Valentine	Henry Storms
Thomas T Woodruff	James Palmer
	William J Macneven

The Board met according to adjournment and The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition from Rawdon Wright & C° praying for the Loan of a Plate of the late Governor Clinton used in publishing the Canal Book was [261] read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences

A Remonstrance of Joseph Daymon and others against permitting Auctioneers to sell in Chatham street was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Remonstrance of James Swords against opening Cedar street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of the Trustees of the Scotch Presbyterian Church against opening Cedar street to Pearl street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Golet Bucknor praying to have the Assessment on his personal property reduced was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Patrick Mullen praying for the remission of a fine for selling Liquor without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Barzilla Knorine [262] to be relieved from an Assessment for personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of William Woods to be relieved from the payment of a fine for not filling in Lots was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of John M^cComb and others owners of property on the Westerly side of Broadway above 13th Street for some relief relative to the stagnant water which remains in the Minetto Brook or street in consequence of the 5th Avenue having been filled up was read—Whereupon the Report of the Road Committee for opening 5th Avenue which was laid on the Table on the 17th December last, was called up and the Petition and Report were referred to the Street and Road Committees.

A Petition*er* of George Charter praying to be relieved from excessive Taxation was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of David Lydig for renewal of Lease for Lot corner of Peck Slip and Front street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Remonstrance of the Licensed [263] Pawnbrokers against the Law proposed by the Committee on the subject was read and laid

on the Table—Upon the Report of the Committee being called up it was referred to the Police Committee.

A Communication from A Higgins on the subject of cleaning streets was read and referred to the Committee on cleaning Streets

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants in Forsyth street to have the same repaved and side walks extended was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Cowman praying that the opening of 15th Street be postponed until after the 1st November next was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Henry F Blackwell and others respecting the bad state of the road leading from the 3d Avenue to Hell Gate Ferry was read and referred to the Road Committee

A Petition of a number of persons for a Well and Pump at the corner of Stanton and Columbia streets in the place of one [264] which has become useless was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Communication was received from George Klots resigning his Office as Inspector of an Election for an Assessor in the 13th Ward was read and accepted—Whereupon Alexander Stewart was appointed to fill the vacancy.

A Petition of George Davis to be relieved from a fine for selling liquor without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of George Catlin Portrait Painter for leave to alter or re-touch the Portrait of Governor Clinton and to use it at the exhibition of the Academy of Arts and Design—And offering to dispose of his Copy of a Portrait of Thomas Jefferson for the sum of Three hundred dollars was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences.

A Petition of Josiah Woodruff to be paid for money expended for removing Nuisances from the Eleventh Ward was referred to the Committee on Cleaning Streets

A Memorial of John R Hedley [265] and others relative to a former Memorial presented respecting the bad state of the Roads in the 12th Ward was read and referred to the Road Committee.

The Committee on Lands and Places to whom was referred the several Petitions and Remonstrances in relation to the grounds commonly called the Grand Parade presented a Report which was read and laid upon the Table—Whereupon it was Resolved that said Report be made the order of the day at the next meeting of the Board

The Committee on applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the subject of amending the Fire Laws presented a Report accompanied with two Laws which were read and laid on the Table and 500 Copies directed to be printed

The Committee on applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the subject of extending the Fire limits in the 7th Ward presented the following Report

The Committee on applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the annexed papers relative to extending the Fire limits [266] over the 7th Ward respectfully Report

That your Committee recently united with the Committee on the Fire Department in recommending an application to the Legislature for a Law extending the Fire limits so as to embrace the whole of the 7th Ward since which a considerable number of persons have presented their remonstrance against this measure and the Board adopted a Resolution that it was inexpedient to extend the Fire limits in said Ward.

A subsequent Petition from some of the owners of property to extend the Fire limits over a part of the Ward, has been presented and is now before the Committee on the Fire Department—Your Committee therefore ask leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
Thomas Bolton
Wm H Ireland
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Committee were discharged accordingly from the further consideration of the same

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Dennis Valentine & Bussing Valentine for Butchers Licences presented the following Report

[267] The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions of Dennis Valentine for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall No 1 Greenwich Market, now in possession of Isaac Valentine, and of Bussing Valentine for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall No 3 of said Market now in the possession of Joshua C Angevine

Respectfully Report

That the said Petitioners are recommended as men of good Character and Steady habits and regular bred Butchers, and the

said Stalls having been regularly transferred to the respective Petitioners—The Committee are of opinion that the Prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted

Anthony Lamb
William Seaman
Samuel Stevens
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of adopting a permanent regulation for Madison street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of adopting a permanent [268] regulation for Madison street as now opening and widening from Pike to Clinton street respectfully

Report

That they have drawn the line in Red Ink shewing the proposed regulation—And which in their opinion ought to be adopted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Madison street when widened and repaved from Pike to Clinton street be regulated in conformity with the red line as shewn on the profile thereof herewith presented and marked A

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Road Street and Canal Committees to whom was referred the Petition of the Harlaem Canal Company presented the following Report

The Law Road Street and Canal Committees to whom the Petition of the Harlem Canal Company was referred, beg leave to Report thereon, that by a resolution of the Board of the 16th July last, a deposit in money to the amount of Thirty thousand dollars was required of that Company, before agreements should be prepared for execution with said Company in relation to their Canal, according to the terms [269] prescribed in the said Resolution—The Petitioners now wish to be relieved from the necessity of paying or depositing said sum, as it would materially interfere with their arrangements; And Your Committees having duly considered the subject have concluded to recommend to the Board the substitution of the following Terms in the stead of said deposit of 30,000 dollars vizt

I. The Company to execute a Bond to this Corporation in the penal sum of 30,000 dollars conditioned agreeably to the said Resolution of the 16th of July last; and also that the said Company shall and will within Twelve months from the date thereof, Mortgage and convey to this Corporation all the land forming the Harlem Canal from the North to the East River, and the Canal streets paths or wharves adjoining, which shall be free and unincumbered as security for the faithful performance of the said Bond; And also, that the said Company shall and will, as soon as the Company lands are ready for division convey to this Corporation in fee all the Streets or Avenues intersecting said Canal which shall or may belong to such Company in trust to be kept open as Public streets or highways

II. The Bond of Archibald Watt and William Wagstaff jointly and severally to this Corporation [270] in the penal sum of Fifteen thousand dollars, is also to be executed, conditioned in like manner as the aforesaid Bond of the Company—And a Mortgage is also to be executed as security for the said Bond on good and sufficient Real estate unincumbered, and in the City of New York

The above securities your Committee think may safely be taken in lieu of the deposit of money heretofore agreed to—The following resolutions are therefore respectfully submitted.

I. Resolved that the above mentioned Bonds and Mortgages will be accepted by this Board as security in lieu of the deposit of money contemplated by the Resolution of the 16th of July last the forms and sufficiency thereof to be approved by this Board

II. Resolved that the Counsel of the Board under the direction of the Committee to whom this subject was referred prepare an agreement or Bond for the said Canal Company and parties to execute in conformity to the Resolution on this subject heretofore adopted by the Board.

All which is respectfully submitted

Samuel Stevens
Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
Jacob Wyckoff
William Seaman
John F. Sibell
[271] Henry B Bolster
John R Peters
Henry Storms
John Lozier

The first Resolution having been read, And the Question taken thereon, a Division was called by Alderman Lamb the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Ireland Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Ostrander Pittman Valentine Woodruff Wyckoff Stevens Shepherd Seaman Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms Macneven 20

In the Negative Ald Smith Mott Lamb Mr Bolton Brown Palmer 6

[271A] So it was carried in the Affirmative—The second Resolution was then read and adopted—And the Report and Resolutions were agreed to

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas H Smith praying to be relieved from the payment of $1040 incurred by taking dirt out of the First Avenue presented the following Report

The former Report of the 17th of December last referred to was as follows

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Peter W Stuyvesant asking redress against the acts of Tyler Dibblee and others agents of Thomas H Smith in removing a large quantity of dirt from that part of the first Avenue lying between 13th and 15th And also a Petition of Thomas H Smith asking relief in the premises and that the suits commenced against him may be discontinued—Beg leave to Report

That the facts stated in the Petition of Mr Stuyvesant they find substantially correct, that the part of the Avenue from where the dirt in the petition mentioned has been removed is not yet permanently regulated, but from the adjacent regulation adopted by the Board, there can be little or no doubt that the whole of the dirt removed will be required to regulate this Avenue at or immediately in the vicinity of the spot where it was taken from—The result of which [272] would be, that the property of Mr Stuyvesant which lies on one side of this Avenue would be assessed for replacing the dirt removed by Mr Smith

This your Committee think is manifestly unjust as relates to Mr Stuyvesant and that the Corporation are bound thus far to protect his interest. No very satisfactory excuse or apology has been given to the Committee for this uncerremonious digging into and removing of at least 26,000 loads of Dirt out of a public Avenue And it may be remarked as not a little singular, that it did not sooner attract the notice and disapprobation of the public Authorities

Your Committee however in excuse for agents of Mr Smith, must remark that they believe that they acted under a mistaken view of the subject, and nobody stopping them they continued until this large

quantity of Dirt has become removed from a Public Avenue and from a place too where it is wanted.

Your Committee are disposed to relieve Mr Smith from the penalties he has incurred but they think he should either return the dirt taken, or should pay into the City Treasury the value of one half of the dirt which he has caused to be removed [273] and the expense of getting it back—Your Committee estimate the quantity taken at 26.000 Loads and they value it at four cents per load and four cents per load for carting But as Mr Smiths property will be assessed the one half, your Committee therefore do not now charge him but for the remaining one half which they value at $1040

This money if paid in to remain with the Corporation to be applied to the filling in of the Northern side of the Avenue where it has been taken from, when the same shall be regulated. And if by any new regulation it should not be required for such purposes, then this amount to be considered and disposed of in the same manner as the Corporation would dispose of so much surplus dirt not wanted for the making of the Avenue

Your Committee offer the following Resolution

Resolved that if Mr Thomas H Smith pay to the Chamberlain of the City $1040, to be applied to the purposes mentioned in this Report and pay the costs of the suits, that then all the suits against him or his Agents for the removing of dirt from the First Avenue, be discontinued, otherwise that they be continued, and that such others be commenced as the Attorney & Counsel of the Board may deem proper for the recovery of the value of the dirt so removed

[274] Samuel Stevens
John Yates Cebra
Henry Storms
Jacob B Taylor

The Report made at this meeting was as follows

The Road Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Thomas H Smith praying to be relieved from the payment of $1040 which this Committee previously reported he ought to pay for the Dirt removed by him out of the first Avenue Report

The Committee recommend to exchange the deposit of money previously recommended to a security by Bond for the return of the Dirt in question—For the further facts in this case the Committee refer the Board to their previous Report on this subject.

Your Committee offer the following Resolution

Resolved that if Mr Thomas H Smith pay the Costs of the Suits commenced against him or his agents for removing Dirt out of the first Avenue, and enter into such Bond, with surety, as the Counsel and Comptroller may approve in the penal sum of Two thousand dollars conditioned to return on the West side of the First Avenue between 13th and 15th Streets so many loads of dirt as may [275] be necessary (and at such times as the board may direct) to fill up and regulate the West half of the said Avenue between the Streets aforesaid according to the regulation hereafter to be adopted but not to be required to fill in more than Eight hundred loads, that then and in that case all the suits against Mr Smith to be discontinued otherwise to be enforced

Samuel Stevens
Thomas T Woodruff
John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander

Whereupon the Report presented this meeting was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Counsel presented the following Report relative to opening Commerce street, Raisen street &c and discontinuing the procedings on Art Street

The Counsel respectfully reports, that the Supreme Court have confirmed the proceedings for opening Commerce street and Raisin street to Barrow street and those for opening Ninth street between Broadway and the Sixth Avenue

The Counsel further reports that the application to the Supreme Court for discontinuing the proceedings for closing a part of Art street between the Bowery and Broadway was granted

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was read and referred to the Street Committee

[276] The Counsel presented the following Resolutions relative to opening 10th 11th 12th & 15th Streets and 7th Avenue

I. Resolved that it is desirable for the public convenience to open Tenth street from the Third Avenue to the centre of what is called Stuyvesant street: Eleventh street from the Bowery to a line drawn Two hundred feet westerly of the Third Avenue: Twelfth street from the Bowery to the Third Avenue all in the Eleventh Ward of the City of New York: Fifteenth street from the Bowery to the Third Avenue

in the Twelfth ward of the said City and the Seventh Avenue from Greenwich Lane to Twenty first street in the Ninth and Twelfth wards of the said City (the same being Streets laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled "an Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807) and that the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done. And that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in order that the same may be carried into effect

[277] II. Resolved that the Petitions to the Supreme Court for the above purposes be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Which were adopted

The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for a Well and Pump in 9th Street near the Bowery which was passed and Isaac Kip, Samuel Purdy and Peter L Webb were appointed Assessors

The Street Commissioners presented a final return of Delinquency on the Lien held by the Corporation on a parcel of ground lying between Caroline and West streets on Duane the property of *M*[G]orgianna Welden—Which was directed to be advertised & Sold

The Street Commissioner presented a final Return of Delinquency on the Lien held by the Corporation on a piece of ground lying between Catherine and Market street as the property of Mary C P McComb—Which was directed to be advertised and sold

The Report of the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the subject of a Pier near the foot of Christopher street which was laid on the Table on the 10th Instant was now called up and read in the words following

[278] The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred a resolution of this Board referring the subject of building Pier to form a Basin for Hay Boats near the foot of Christopher street

Respectfully Report

That the whole of your Committee have examined the premises referred to and are of the opinion said Pier is very much needed and ought to be built about 200 feet North of the existing Pier at the foot of Christopher street and to extend out 250 feet with a T at the end so as to form a large Basin between it and the present Pier, and also to afford accommodations between it and Perry streets and thereby bring

into use the greater part of the Bulk head and wharf belonging to the Corporation

Your Committee submit the following Resolution

Resolved that a Pier be extended out 250 feet with a T to commence at the Bulkhead about 200 feet North of the Pier at the foot of Christopher Street

John R Peters
Isaac Brown
Lemuel Pittman
John Shepherd Junr
[279] William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Report of the Police Committee on the subject of altering the Law respecting Pawn brokers which had been laid on the Table was called up and read—The Recorder presented an Additional clause which was also read After some discussion the whole subject was referred back to the Police Committee

The Report of the Committee on Arts and Sciences on Petition of William Dunlap Historical Painter was called up and after some discussion was laid on the Table for the further consideration of the Board

The Report of the Special Committee on cleaning streets on subject of dividing the City into two Districts &c was called up and referred back to the same Committee.

The Report of the Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have the vacant Lots at the corner of Greenwich and Hubert streets filled in and fenced which was laid on the 28th January last was called up and read as follows

[280] The Street Committe to whom was referred the annexed petition of sundry persons to have the vacant Lots at the corner of Greenwhich and Hubert street filled in and fenced and also that the side walks in front of said lots be paved respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and accordingly

Resolved that the vacant lots belonging to the Estate of the late John G Leake at the corner of Greenwich and Hubert street be fenced and that the City Inspector adopt the proper measures for having the same carried into effect.

Resolved that the side walks in front of the Lots belonging to the estate of John G Leake corner of Greenwich and Hubert street be

paved and that the Street Commissioner have the same carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was read amended and adopted

The Report of the Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Resolution relative to opening and continuing [281] McDougal Mercer Green and Wooster streets to 8th Street and Lewis street to 9th Street which was laid on the table on the 25th February last was called up and read as follows

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the annexed Resolution directing them to enquire into the propriety of making an application for power to open and continue McDougal Mercer, Green and Wooster streets to Eighth street and Lewis street to Ninth street, beg leave respectfully to

Report

That by the Act of 1807 appointing Commissioners of Streets roads and public squares within certain Limits in the City of New York, their plan is made final and conclusive as well in respect to the Corporation as to the owners of property thereby rendering an Application to the Legislature necessary for opening any new Street. The Southern line of the Commissioners plan passes through North street and from Broadway to the Sixth Avenue, through the blocks of ground lying between Sixth and Eighth Streets—Wooster and Mercer street have been opened across Sixth street up to the Commissioner's Line and Green street is now opening—Your Committee think it will be proper for the Board to have authority to open and continue these Streets together with McDougal street through to Eighth street; as they will pass through squares much larger than the generality of [282] squares of ground, and bring into use, a considerable property that must otherwise remain of but little Value

Lewis street was formerly the line of High Water and has been built upon for some distance, in a compact manner—The owners of property on that Street have petitioned to have the same Continued to eighth street

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a suitable Law and Memorial to the Legislature, for authorising this Board to open and continue

McDougal Mercer Green Wooster and Lewis streets to Eighth street: that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board and forwarded to the Legislature

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
Jacob Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Report of the Committee on the Fire Department on the Petition of William McIntire for permission to Keep Hemp & [283] Naval Stores in his Store which was laid on the Table on the 10th Inst was called up and after some discussion referred back to the same Committee

Mr Amerman presented the following which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to report on the expediency of paving those parts of Christopher & Perry streets which lie between Washington and West streets

Alderman Coe presented the following which was referred to the Police Committee.

Resolved that Israel Purdy be no longer permitted to sell Furniture or other articles on the Side walk or in the Street in front of his Store in Harman Street

Alderman Lozier presented the following which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to inquire and Report on the expediency of altering the names of Collect and Rhynder streets so as to give one name to both streets, as they are properly but one Street

Mr Amerman presented the following which was referred to the Street Committee

[284] Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to report on the expediency of having the Gutters which cross all the leading streets so regulated that Wheel Carriages may cross over them in safety.

Alderman Lamb presented the following which was referred to the Police Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Police Committee to enquire

into the expediency of regulating the Carting of Mahogany through the Streets of this City

Alderman Schieffelin presented the following which was referred to the Road Committee

Resolved that the further sum of $3000 be appropriated for working the 8th Avenue and that Warrants pass for the same in favor of the Street Commissioner as the same may be required to be disbursed by him from time to time

Alderman Lozier presented the following which was referred to the Special Committee on Assessors of which Alderman Ireland is Chairman

Whereas many and very grevious complaints have been made for assessing [285] property for improvements unequally therefore

Resolved that a select Committee of Five be appointed to investigate the propriety of appointing persons from each Ward as Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment and that they Report a List of names for that purpose at the next meeting of this Board.

Alderman Smith presented the following which was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

Whereas it has been represented that there are a number of Churches in this City whose bells are not rung on the alarm of Fire, And whereas it is important to the safety of the City that a general notice should be given whenever fire occurs therefore

Resolved that the managers of said Churches be requested to have their bells Rung whenever an Alarm of fire shall be given

Alderman Peters presented the following which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to report upon the expediency of appointing an additional Deputy or Competent Assistant in the Street Commissioners Office

Alderman Peters presented the [286] following which was *was* referred to the Committee on Cleaning Streets.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Streets and the Inspectors of Wards which include Wharves & Piers, be directed to cause all the Public Wharves & Piers which are much used, to be speedily cleaned of Mud and rubbish and also to clear off in like manner at the expence of the respective owners all private Wharves if the proprietors neglect to do the same after due notice

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers

& Slips to Report upon the expediency of abolishing the Office of Superintendant of Wharves & Piers

Alderman Ostrander presented the following which was referred to the City Inspector

Resolved that it be referred to the City Inspector to enquire into the expediency of filling up the Lots on the corner of Hubert & Greenwich street

[287] Alderman Ostrander presented the following which was referred to the Law Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Laws to take into consideration whether any and if any, what amendment is necessary to the Law making Assessments for expence of regulating and paving Streets when such streets are either dug out or filled up in such manner as materially to affect the buildings which have been erected thereon in conformity with a former regulation adopted by the Corporation of this City

Mr Bolster presented the following which was referred to the Lamp Committee

Resolved that the Lamp Committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of lighting Manhattan Market Square with Lamps

Alderman Lozier presented the following which was referred to the Committee on Public Offices

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Public Offices to review the Salaries of all the Officers appointed and paid by the Common Council And report on the expediency of raising or decreasing the same

[288] Mr Stevens presented the following which was referred to the Market Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Market Committee to enquire into the expediency of erecting a Cupola on the Washington Market agreeably to the plan of that Market.

Alderman Valentine gave notice that he would at the next meeting move for the appointment of Commissioners of School Money

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 10th Inst	$2012.04
1 Account Audited	
Francis & James Kain for Paulding Monument	1233.80
Balance	$778.24

Board then adjourned to Monday next

[289] In Common Council March 24th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Junr
William S Coe	James Lynch
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R. Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Abraham M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	Henry Storms
	James Palmer
	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Remonstrance of the Ministers Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church against extending Cedar street was read [290] and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Benjamin Salter to be relieved from an excess on personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Benjamin Ryer to be appointed a Deputy Keeper of the Penitentiary was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Joseph Miller to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Henry Hoffman to be appointed City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Richard C McCormick praying that the conduct of certain members of Fire Engine No 13 be investigated they having violated the Law relative to extinguishing Fires was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Memorial of certain persons to have 61st Street opened from the 3 Avenue to the East River was read and referred to [291] the Street and Road Committee

Two Petitions of Rebecca Rossiter for remission of fine for buying and selling second hand Clothing without a Licence were read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Edmund Fitch to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Joshua C Angevine for a Butchers Licence for Stall N° 8 Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the Greek Committee for the use of the Sessions Room on Wednesday evening next was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices with powers

A Petition of Jesse Ide to be paid for a Coach and Horses injured by upsetting in a street having been illegally dug out was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of M^rs Clara F Cutbush praying to be relieved from the payment of an Assessment was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

[292] A Petition of John Turner against opening Cedar street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Frederick Youman & others for a Well and Pump corner of 6^th Avenue and 13^th Street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of John S Crane and others for Lamps in Wooster street was read and referred to the Lamp Committee

A Petition of a number of persons for a Well and Pump on the Corner of North and Ludlow streets was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 11^th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of Edward Lynch to be released from the payment of personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Samuel Stillwell and others against the paving of Chrystie street was read and referred to the Street Committee

[293] A Petition of Peter Perrine to be appointed Inspector and Measurer of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Daniel Hageman to be continued Superintendant of Wharves Piers & Slips was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Samuel Davis stating that he has constructed a Machine upon a new principle for cleaning Slips and praying the Corporation to employ the same was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of David Wright to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of the owners of Property in the 7^th Ward to extend the Fire limits to Governeur street presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department, to whom was referred the Petition of the owners of Property in the 7th Ward to extend the Fire limits to Gouverneur street respectfully Report thereon

That having duly considered the said [294] matter, and advertised for objections, Your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the said Petition ought to be granted. It appears that neither side of Division street from Catharine Street to Governour street, are embraced in the present Fire Laws; And it is wished that the said fire limits may be extended from Clinton street (their present termination) to said Gouverneur street—Including the Lots on both sides of said Division and Gouverneur Street—Your Committee think that the usual Fire Laws should be made to apply to said parts of the City, without any exception as to Lessees

They therefore Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a proper Law, and a memorial to the Legislature for its passage, extending the Fire limits to the South side of Division street and Gouverneur street and from Clinton to Gouverneur street as above mentioned; and that the Memorial be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board, and forwarded to the Legislature

All which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[295] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of the Members of Hook & Ladder Company N° 3 for an increase of men presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the within Petition of Hook & Ladder Company N° 3 for an increase of Men

Respectfully Report

That the reasons assigned by the Petitioners are not sufficient to satisfy Your Committee that they have claims over other Hook & Ladder Companies in the City for more men than is allowed by Law

Accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Isaac Brown
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Baxter for relief, his wife having nursed a Child who was inoculated under the direction of the City Dispensary and the Child died whereby Petitioner was greatly distressed and damaged and his said wife received no compensation presented the following Report

[296] The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the Petition of Samuel Baxter who prays for relief, because the wife of the Petitioner was nurse to a Child, who was inoculated under the direction of the City Dispensary, and which child died whereby the Petitioner was greatly distressed and damaged, The Father of the children brought a suit against the Doctor but was defeated; and the father was thus entirely unable to recompense the Nurse being very poor— The Petitioner and his wife are very destitute; and although; the Board have heretofore remunerated the Doctor considering that he acted properly in this matter, still the nurse thinks that she ought to be paid for her loss of time and services in taking care of the Child, Your Committee deem this application to be one addressed merely to the Charity of the Board; and that the same cannot be considered a legal or equitable claim for services upon the Corporation

Your Committee therefore beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration of this Petition and that the same be referred to the Committee on Charity

All which is respectfully submitted

William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
[297] William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and it was accordingly referred to the Committee on Charity.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen D Beekman for a Water Grant opposite his property corner of 13th Street & 10th Avenue presented the following Report in favor

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Stephen D Beekman for a Water Grant opposite his property and at the corner of 13th Street and 10th Avenue on the Northerly side of 13th Street—Your Committee can see no reason against granting the wishes of the petitioner the grant to extend to the corner above mentioned, on the same terms and conditions as are contained in the grant recently made in that vicinity to John Jacob Astor Esqr The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a Water Grant to Stephen D

Beekman on the terms and conditions above mentioned, And that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

William Seaman
William H Ireland
[298] Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Jacob Astor for a Water Grant for Lot N° 458 Clinton farm presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully report on the within Petition of John Jacob Astor Esq^{r} for a Water Grant—It appears that the said Astor has purchased from M^{r} Varick Lot 458 of the Clinton farm, with all the right outside, or in the land under Water—The Petitioner wishes to have the Water Grant as he is desirous of filling in, and as he has already obtained the adjoining Water Grant from the Corporation

Your Committee see no objection to making a grant to him similar in its terms and conditions to his adjoining Grant from the Corporation—The proposed grant is at the corner of 10th Avenue and 12th Street on the North side of 12th Street extending to the 10th Avenue

The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a Water Grant to John Jacob Astor Esquire of the premises above mentioned [299] on the above terms, and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

William Seaman
W^{m} H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of 5000 persons against the violation of the Sunday Laws presented a Report accompanied with a Law which were read laid for consideration and directed to be printed for the use of the Members

The Police Committee to whom was referred back the draft of a Law relating to Pawn Brokers and also a Remonstrance against the same presented the following Report accompanied with a Law

The Police Committee to whom was referred back the accompanying Ordinance relating to Pawn Brokers and also a remonstrance against the same Report

That having reconsidered the said Ordinance and Remonstrance they Report the same again to the Board with some modification

Samuel Stevens
[300] James Lynch
Thomas T Woodruff
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Whereup[on] the Report was approved and the Law passed by sections, after some amendments under the Title of "a Law to amend the Law passed 30th April 1827 entitled A Law to regulate Pawnbrokers and Dealers in second hand Articles"

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham Le Foy for permission to sell at Auction in Chatham Square and also a Remonstrance against the same presented the following Report against the same

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham LeFoy for permission to sell Furniture in Chatham Square and also a Remonstrance against the same Report

That it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition on the ground that Chatham street is too much a thorough fare for such occupation of the Street to be permitted there

They offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to [301] grant permission to sell Furniture fronting No 197 Chatham Street as petitioned for by Mr Lafoy

All which is submitted
Samuel Stevens
Thomas T Woodruff
James Lynch
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Curtenius Hyer to be relieved from a fine for driving a Hackney Coach without a Licence presented the following Report against the same

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition

of Curtenius Hyer for remission of a fine for driving without Licence

Report

That there appears no circumstances in this case which makes it necessary for the Board to interfere if it is proper to pass Laws and to demand prosecutions, it is proper in most cases and particularly where the penalties are so small to exact them

They offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Samuel Stevens
Thomas T Woodruff
James Lynch

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[302] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George Davis to be relieved from a fine for selling Liquor without a License presented the following Report against the same

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of George Davis was referred asking remission of a fine for selling without License Report

That they deem it inexpedient to remit fines on the ground that this applicant claims the same, which is ignorance of the Law

Resolved that it is inexpedient to remit the fine of George Davis

Samuel Stevens
Thomas T Woodruff
James Lynch
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Resolution against Israel Purdy's selling at Auction in Harman street presented a Report which was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 7th Ward

The Police Commitee to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick McMullen to be relieved from a fine for selling Liquor [303] presented the following Report in favor

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of Patrick McMullen, praying relief from the payment of a fine for selling Liquor was referred

Report

That it appears that one OBrien was a partner of McMullins and he OBrien had applied for his Licence to sell at the Store in question and had paid the fees And the Licence had been signed by the Alder-

man of his ward, And while things were in this situation he was sued and judgment rendered against him

They offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Patrick McMullen be relieved from the payment of the above fine on the payment of Costs

Samuel Stevens
James Lynch
Thomas T Woodruff
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Arts and Sciences presented a Report on the subject of placing a public Clock in the City Hall which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members

The Committee on Arts and Sciences to whom was referred the Petition of Rawdon Wright & C° [304] for the Loan of the Plate of the Picture of Governor Clinton presented the following Report

Report of the Committee on Arts & Sciences on the Petition of Rawdon Wright & C°

The Committee on Arts & Sciences wishing on all occasions to favor the cultivation of the Arts respectfully submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petition of Rawdon Wright & C° be granted upon condition that they shall retouch the plate of the likeness of the late Governor Clinton after having made use of it for their Work, so as to have the plate in as good a condition as when loaned to them of which this Common Council shall be the judges

Wm Jas Macneven
John Lozier
J. F Sibell

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons praying for relief from a nuisance arising from the New York Melting House in Elizabeth street presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom the annexed Petition was referred praying for [305] relief from a nuisance arising as they alledge from the New York Melting House situated in Elizabeth street between Spring and Prince streets, have had the same under consideration and beg leave respectfully to

Report

That the Petitioners pray for the appointment of a Committee

whose duty it shall be to examine into the truth of what is therein stated, and to devise such measures as shall tend to their relief—The Committee are of opinion that the existing Laws afford all the necessary remedies in this Case, and that by substituting their Complaint before the Grand Jury of the City the Petitioners will be fully relieved from the ground of their Complaints—They therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient for the Common Council to take any order on the said Petition

Respectfully submitted

James Lynch
Samuel Storms
Thos Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the account of John Leveridge for attending Court in New Jersey in the case of J Mersereau Sheriff of Richmond County presented the following Report

[306] The Law Committee to whom was referred the account of Mr J Leveridge for attending Court in New Jersey in the case of J Mersereau Report

That Mr Leveridge attended at said Court in behalf of the Corporation and has charged for his services Fifty dollars which the Committee deem reasonable they therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller pay to J Leveridge the sum of Fifty dollars in full of said account

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and the Comptroller was directed to report a Warrant agreeably thereto.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Finance Committee on suit of Bayard and others on action of ejectment for land in Wall street presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the annexed Report of the Finance Committee requesting instructions [307] as to referring the cause of Bayard and others against the Corporation which is an action of ejectment for land in Wall street Report

That they have had the said Report under consideration & have no evidence before them nor any means of ascertaining whether any such agreement has been made on the part of the Corporation as can be considered obligatory for them to consent to such reference as is proposed, but if the Corporation are not under such obligation and (from the lapse of time the Committee would infer such is the fact) the Committee are of opinion that in matters of this kind the safest course is to place the interests of the public, under the protection of the existing Judicial tribunals, and that it would be unwise and bad policy to permit rights to public property to be decided upon by reference to any Individual however respectable he may be in talent & Character The Committee are therefore of opinion that unless a positive stipulation has been entered into it is inexpedient and would be improper to consent to the proposed reference of the cause of Bayard & others V^s^ the Corporation

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was accepted and directed to be filed

[308] The Law Committee to whom was referred the communication from John Hunter respecting the Commutation of Alien Passengers presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Communication from John Hunter recommending that several classes be made of Alien Passengers, and that various rates of Commutation be charged in lieu of bonding by the Captain and owners

Report

That the Committee cannot form a satisfactory opinion on the subject from any evidence before them and they therefore beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration of it and recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Law Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the Communication from John Hunter and that the same be referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Tho^s^ Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[309] The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Inhabitants in the neighborhood of Stanton street praying that a Law be passed prohibiting dismantled Sloops and other small Craft being laid up in the Slip in the Winter Season presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Inhabitants in the neighborhood of Stanton Slip praying that a Law may be passed to prevent in future the practice of dismantled Sloops and other Craft laying up in said Slips Report

That the subject is one with which they are totally unacquainted, and is in the opinion of your Committee more peculiarly the province of the Commitee on Wharves Piers & Slips they therefore pray to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject and recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Law Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the Petition of the Inhabitants of Stanton Slip and that the same be referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted & [310] the same was accordingly referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of Inhabitants owners and residents of property in Greenwich Village praying that some suitable place may be designated by the Common Council for them to sell at Auction presented the following Report accompanied with a Law

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Inhabitants of Greenwich for a suitable place to hold public sales in the Ninth ward Report

That the Petition states that the inhabitants of Greenwich suffer great inconvenience from not having a convenient place appointed for the sale of goods seized for rent debt &c. The Committee believe the fact stated to be true & recommend that the Square in front of Greenwich Market on a line with Christopher street and West of Greenwich street to the Market be appointed as a place in which such sales shall be permitted and they therefore recommend the adoption of the within

by-Law allowing such sales to take place at the square above mentioned Which will effect the object which the petitioners have in view

[311] All which is respectfully submitted

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was adopted and the Law passed under the title of "A Law to amend the Law entitled a Law to regulate sales at Auction passed 30th April 1827

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Weighmaster praying for a repeal of a certain part of the 8th Section of a Law relative to Weighmasters presented the following Report accompanied with a Law

The Law Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of the City Weighmasters praying for a repeal of so much of the 8th Section of the Law relative to Weighmasters and measures as requires the weighmasters to keep accurate accounts of the quantity of every article imported into the City or exported therefrom weighed by them respectively with the Market prices Respectfully

Report

That they have had the same under consideration, and think the reasons given by the weighmasters very weighty, as most articles are weighed not as imported or exported, but in Lots and broken parcels some for exportation, some for speculation, and some for [312] retail sale, and there may be many cases in which the price is a secret between buyer and seller or not unnecessarily divulged by either—It seems therefore impossible for them to comply with the Law, And your Committee recommend the passage of the annexed Law repealing the 8th Section of the present Law so far as it respects Weighmasters

Respectfully submitted

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Law passed under the title of "A Law to amend the Law entitled a Law relative to Weighmasters & Measurers"

The Law Committee to whom was referred the subject of amending the Rules of the Common Council presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the annexed Resolution proposing an Amendment in the Rules and orders

Report

That the regular dispatch of Public bussiness requires the adoption of the principle contained in the proposed Resolution which usually is [313] adopted as a rule in Legislative Assemblies The Committee however beg leave to propose the following as a substitute which embraces the same principle but prescribes in detail what is necessary

Resolved that the following be added to the standing rules and Orders

" That the Clerk keep a list of the unfinished bussiness & of all reports of Committees in the order in which they occur, to be called the orders of the day and that the same have preference to all other bussiness immediately after the Reports of Standing and Special Committees and Departments "

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Rule adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the subject of a Public Library in the City Hall presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the annexed Resolution requiring an opinion as to the expediency of forming a Library for the use of the Common Council

Report

That in their opinion it is not expedient at this time to form a Library [314] for the use of the Common Council

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved

The Law Committee to whom was referred the subject of a Petition of C Bingham and others praying that regulations may be made respecting Building Stone &c presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of C Bingham & others praying for regulations that building Stone may be carted in Boxes of an uniform size

Report

That they have had the same under consideration and have taken

measures to ascertain the sentiments of persons dealing in building Stone on the subject; that from the circumstance that very much depends in measuring stone on the manner in which it is packed, they are of opinion that the object proposed would not be secured by requiring that the boxes should be of uniform size, nor can they learn that any great disatisfaction exists, they are therefore of opinion that it [315] is not expedient to make any alteration in the existing Law on the subject and they therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the letter from M^r George Wood of New Jersey relative to the Arrest of J Mersereau Sheriff of Richmond County presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred two letters from George Wood Esq^r of New Jersey in relation to proceedings commenced against J Mesereau Report

That the Committee are informed and believe that J Mersereau who was a deputy Sheriff in Richmond County was arrested in New Jersey for a pretended Violation of the Laws of that State in serving process in which this Corporation were plaintiffs, that the said Mesereau acted under positive instructions from the Attorney of this Board and that therefore his defence has heretofore been conducted under the direction of this Board, the [316] Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Law Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the Letters of George Wood Esq^r and that the same be referred to the Counsel of the Board with directions to reply thereto and give such instructions in relation to those proceedings as he may deem advisable

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Tho^s Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of certain venders of Charcoal for alterations in the Law respecting the Inspection of the same presented the following Report

The Law Committee respectfully Report on the petition of certain Venders of Charcoal, who pray for alteration in the Law respecting the Inspection of the same

The principal complaint of the petitioners is, that they are required by the Inspectors to pay for Inspection whenever Coal is carted and not whenever it is bought and Sold.

[317] Your Committee deem this not to be the true construction of the Law to regulate the measure and sale of Coal—By that Law, Charcoal is only subject to inspection, when it is sold; and when sold it is to be sold by the bushel If a boat load is purchased or any large quantity it is merely carted in this City and not bought and sold here. Your Committee think it is clear that the inspection is not to be made or required under these circumstances the following resolution is respectfully submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thos Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the subject of making the Office of Register & Coroner Salary Officers presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the annexed Resolution requiring that application be made to the Legislature to alter the time of holding and seperating the Charter from the State Election and that the Register & Coroner be Salary Officers Report

[318] That as to the first branch of the Resolution this Board has already acted by providing for the time of the Election in a Law which has been prayed for by them

That the Committee are of opinion that the fees of the Office of Register are greater than are required to secure the services of a person qualified for the Office, but in the opinion of your Committee it would be inexpedient to affix Salaries to the Offices in Question—They have the same subject under consideration on another refer-

ence and propose to submit some facts with their opinion more fully when they Report thereon

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was accepted and ordered to be filed

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of S Smith praying for amendment of Law prohibiting sale of Liquors on Sunday presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jas Smith & others praying that the Law prohibiting sales on Sunday may be amended Report

[319] That the Committee are informed and believe that the Law prohibiting the sale of Liquor on Sunday is openly violated and that some further provision ought to be made on the subject, but as the Police Committee to whose province it seems more particularly to belong have had it under consideration and as your Committee believe have taken much pains to devise such measures as public opinion and a due regard to the execution of the laws demand, your Committee beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject and recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Law Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the Petition of James Smyth and others praying that the Law prohibiting sales on Sunday may be amended and that the same be referred to the Police Committee

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Jacob Wyckoff

Which was approved.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petitions of Mrs Small Peter Cotte M Nash, George Charter, P G Stuyvesant, John Ayres Jane Yager and Hannah Brown to be relieved from excessive taxation presented Reports on the Several [320] Petitions which were read and referred back to the Committee in order that the Petitioners may obtain Certificates from the assessors of their Wards that they have been wrongfully taxed

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition Wm G Bucknor to have the Assessment on his personal property reduced presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William G Bucknor praying to be released from a part of his Assessment on personal property beg leave to Report

That the said William G Bucknor presented his own affidavit and on examination it would appear that a Reduction of his Tax from $20,000 to $5,000 would be just and also a Certificate of the Assessors coroborating with the facts above stated, they Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted and a Reduction from $20,000 to $5,000 would be just and equitable

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
[321] Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Gerardus Clark to be relieved from an Assessment presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Gerardus Clark to be relieved from a part of his Assessment on his Personal Tax beg leave to Report

That the Petitioner represents that he has been assessed on personal property to the amount of $10,000 It however appears on the Assessors Books that he has been Assessed $5000 and the Petitioner being sworn saith that his personal property is not worth over $2500— therefore your Committee are of the opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted they therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of Petitioner ought to be granted and Reduction from $5000 to $2500

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[322] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham Clark to be relieved from the payment of an Assessment presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham Clark praying to be released on his Tax in part on

Account of his being a Trooper in the first Regiment of Horse Artillery beg leave to

Report

That a Reduction of Tax on his real estate of $800, would be according to the letter of the Law they Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the above named reduction of $800 ought to be granted to the Petitioner

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel G Ogden Junr for his father Samuel G Ogden who does not reside in the City to be relieved from the payment of Personal Tax presented [323] the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessment to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel G Ogden praying to be released from Personal Tax beg leave to Report

That the said Samuel G Ogden is now absent from the City and has been since December 1826 and that he has been assessed on $20.000 personal property and that his son is the Agent and lawful Attorney and that in producing his Affidavit it would appear his father is not worth any personal property in this City It would also appear by a Certificate of Assessors that the Assessment against him should be cancelled Your Committee respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Lands & Places to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have the Park regulated &c presented the following Report

The Committee on lands and places to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons [324] residing in the neighborhood of the Park complaining of its neglected situation was referred Respectfully Report

That your Committee admit that there is just cause for the com-

plaints made by the Petitioners and they are of the opinion that something ought to be done to meet the wishes of the inhabitants residing in this neighborhood

The only question with Your Committee was—what would be the best manner of improving those Grounds? and after much reflection they have agreed to recommend to the Board the following

First—The trees which are dead to be replaced immediately

Second—The Grass plots to be relaid with clay at the bottom so as to retain the moisture.

Third—Posts and Chains to be placed around the Grass plots to protect the Grass

Fourth—After the work is done the Park to be placed under the Special direction of the Police Office

Should the foregoing be adopted by the Board, the Committee think all cause for complaint will be removed and that the Park will assume an appearance essentially different from what it has for some time past

They beg leave to recommend that [325] the Committee on Lands and Places be charged with carrying the same into effect

Respectfully submitted

Thomas Bolton
Wm James Macneven
Isaac Amerman
John F Sibell
Henry Storms

Which was approved, And on motion a sum not exceeding $1000, was directed to be appropriated to carry the object of the Resolutions into effect

The Road and Street Committees to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to drain off the water overflowing the grounds above 13th Street presented the following Report

The Road and Street Committees to whom was referred the Petition of various persons to draw the Water lying above 13th Street

Report

That in the opinion of your Committee there should have been wooden drains constructed under 12th Street and the 5th Avenue to have carried off the Water complained of—That the Inhabitants living above 13th Street have just cause to complain, that the grounds have been and are still overflowed to the serious damage of their property and dangerous to their healths provided the same is not carried [326] off before the coming Warm weather.

As the injury arises from improving the grounds below 13th Street those grounds ought to have been at the expence of carrying off this back water, but as the same will not cost much and has been heretofore neglected—Your Committee recommend that the evil be remedied at Public Expence—They offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner cause a wooden drain to be made through 12th Street and the 5th Avenue so as to drain off the Water lying above 13th Street

Respectfully submitted

Samuel Stevens
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman
John F Sibell
William S Coe

Upon the question of agreeing to the same a division having been called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Mott Lozier Randolph Mr Bolton [327] Mr Wyckoff Stevens Brown Seaman Sibell Macneven 11

In the Negative Ald Smith Ireland Lamb Coe Peters Ostrander Valentine Woodruff Shepherd Lynch Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms Palmer 15

So it passed in the Negative

The Committee on cleaning Streets to whom was referred the Petition of Josiah Woodruff Inspector of the 11th Ward to be compensated for removing sundry nuisances from said Ward presented the following Report

The Committee on cleaning Streets to whom was referred the Bill of Josiah Woodruff Inspector of the Eleventh Ward

Respectfully Report

That they have examined the said Bill and being satisfied of its being Correct are of opinion that the same ought to be paid And therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be requested to issue a Warrant upon the Chamberlain [328] in favor of the said Josiah Woodruff for the sum of Twenty four dollars and forty three cents

Edmund Smith
James Palmer
Henry B Bolster
Gideon Ostrander

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Resolution respecting an additional Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the application of a number of persons to have certain Vessels excluded from Peck Slip presented the following Report accompanied with a Law

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the application of many persons owners of property about Peck Slip to have Southern coasting Vessels excluded from said Slip ask leave to Report

That in the opinion of your Committee trading Vessels denominated Market Vessels ought to have the preference of the births at said Slip and recommend the adoption of the Ordinance hereunto annexed

John R Peters
[329] Isaac Brown
John Shepherd Junr
Lemuel Pittman
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Law passed under the title of "A Law to amend the Law entitled a Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the Public Wharves and in the Slips and to establish the rates of Wharfage"

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the subject of abolishing the Office of Superintendant of Wharves Piers &c presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Finance Committee presented the following Report on subject of changing some of the Districts of the Public Docks and Slips

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they are desirous to alter some of the Districts of the Public docks & Slips so as to arrange the same differently from the Districts as advertised by the Comptroller—In consequence of the Comptrollers having advertised the Docks & Slips, by order of the Board, upon a Report of the Finance Committee, in the same manner as they were sold by auction the last year, Your Committee deem it proper to ask the permission of the Board to alter such districts as they may deem advantageous and [330] profitable to the City, the following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Comptroller be requested to advertise the Docks

& Slips for sale by Auction, at such time, and in such districts, and on such terms, as may be prescribed by the Finance Committee

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

Mr Stevens presented the following which was referred to the Street Commissioner

Resolved that the Street Commissioner Report to this Board the most suitable mode of drawing off the Water above Thirteenth street, and that he present an Ordinance to assess the expense of the same on such part of the property which ought to bear the said expense.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 17th Inst.	$778.24
Recd for Tax of 1827	26.700.
" " Streets	21.663.23
" " Rents	4.212.25
" " [331] Fire Department	492.50
" " Justices Courts	293.24
" " Sheriffs Fin[e]s &c.	140.
" " Police Office	133.49
" " Mayoralty fees	70.
	$54,482.95

34 Accounts Audited & ordered to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1 Dist.	1386.
Hibberd & Asten do 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring do 3d "	945.
Wm S Smith Colectr City Revenue 1 Qr Salary 22d Inst & charges	302.
Abm Legget Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 23d Inst.	125.33
H Maxwell Dist Attorney 1 Qr Salary 12 Feb.	875.
S Stevenson R Graham & J Risley Officers at Riot Chatham St Nor 1827	6.
Commercial Advertiser Subscription 6 Months 10 Inst.	50.
J Depeyster & others Interest on Commutation Water Grant 2d Feb.	262.52
Saml B Ruggles Solicitor for Equitable Insce Co Award opening Factory St fm Christopher to 6th St Land of A S Pell	4112.77
Alfred S Pell bal of Award do do	2287.23

J Pinkerton Act^{t} repav Greenwich S^{t} fm Courtlandt to Canal S^{t}	2400.	
Rich^{d} S Williams Att^{y} for A Stagg Act^{t} reg & pav 1^{s} S^{t} fm 1^{s} Avenue to North S^{t}	510.	
Geo Lovett Atty for do do Do do	454.56	
R Pettigrew Act^{t} repav Warren fm Br^{d}way to Greenwich S^{t}	500.	
T. Cummings Act^{t} reg & pav Herring fm Amos to Bank S^{t}	400.	
S Fargay Act^{t} laying Cross walks 1 Ward	400.	
J Pinkerton bal repav Hudson fm Anthony to Beach S^{t}	255.59	
T Cumming Act^{t} reg & pav Hammond fm Asylum to Greenwich Lane	250.	
[332] T Cumming Act^{t} reg & pav Christ^{r} fm Asylum to Greenw^{h} Lane	250.	
T Cumming do do Perry S^{t} fm Washgt^{n} S^{t} to do	200.	
T Cummings do Do Charles S^{t} fm do to do	200.	
T Cumming bal do Do Factory fm Christ^{r} to Bank S^{t}	159.85	
W^{m} Gee posting Bills	22.50	
Henry D Sewell return Costs 3 Lots Rynder S^{t} 27 Nov^{r} 1827	21.	
R Graves S^{t} Com^{r} Act^{t} repairs Lands & Places	250.	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Fire Dep^{t}	1015.	
J P Roome do Repairs	820.	
J. P. Roome do Wells & Pumps	373.	
J. P. Roome do Markets	272.	
J. P. Roome do Lamps	217.	
J. P. Roome do Alms House	200.	
J. P. Roome do boring for Water at Fulton Market	140.	
Mechanics Bank Interest on 9 Bonds to 1 Jan^{y} 1828	4344.34	24.951.69

Balance $29.531.26

The Board then adjourned to Monday next at 5 OClock P M

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

March 31, 1828 to June 16, 1828

[1] Adjourned Meeting In Common Council March 31st 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas *Bolster* [Bolton]
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
John Lozier	Isaac Brown
William S Coe	John Shepherd Junr
John R Peters	James Lynch
Gideon Ostrander	William Seaman
Lemuel Pittman	John F Sibell
Effingham Schieffelin	Isaac Amerman
Abraham M Valentine	Bernard J Meserole
Thomas T Woodruff	Henry B Bolster
	Henry Storms
	Wm James Macneven

The Board met agreeably to adjournment

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

Three Remonstrances from a number of Owners and Occupants of property in Cedar street [2] against extending Cedar street were read and severally referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Arthur Tappan & others in favor of an Additional Tax for the support of Common Schools was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Joseph Ireland and others praying that measures may be taken to prevent Hucksters Pedlers of Hardware and dealers in Books from standing in and selling about the Markets was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of the Harlaem Canal Company stating that they are now prepared to give the Bond and Security required by the Resolution of the Common Council on the 17th Inst which was read and Resolved that the Petitioners have leave to withdraw their Petition

A Petition of Jacob D Clute to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Assessment was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of William W Chardavoyne praying to be appointed Inspector of Wharves Piers & Slips [3] or Overseer for building Markets was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Edward L Schieffelin praying to be appointed Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Hook & Ladder Companies Nos 2. 3. 4 & 5 for an encrease of four men to each Company was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of Alexander M Muir & others to have 14th Street opened from the Bowery to the Hudsons River was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of William Shelton for leave to transfer Stall No 1 Grand Street Market to Samuel Cornell was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of John Flack and others for reduction of commutation Quit Rents on several Lots in White street between Broadway and Elm street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

[4] A Petition of Henry Coster to purchase from the Corporation a Lot of Common Lands in the 12th Ward was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Sundry owners & occupants of property in Canal street praying for permission to bore for Water in Canal street between Church & Chapel street was read and referred to the A[l]derman & Assistant of the 5th & 8th Wards & Street Commissioner

A Petition of George Rapelje & others to have 36th Street opened from 8th Avenue to Fitz roy Road was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Vogell for permission to transfer Stall No 4 Fulton Market to William Wells was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of the Trustees of the Baptist Church in Oliver street for the purchase of a Gore of Land adjoining their Lot was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Joseph Walden complaining of George Paff a Butcher in Essex Market for improper conduct was read and referred to the Market Committee

[5] A Petition of Owen McCabe for payment of ballance due him for paving Elizabeth street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Theodore Keese and others requesting a reference to the Fire Wardens of the 1st Ward of the situation of the block between William Pine and Pearl streets and Maiden Lane was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of John R Soper praying to be appointed Superintendant of Wharves Piers & Slips was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Thomas Wintringham and others praying that the Greenwich Stages may not be permitted to stand at the corner of Pine & Nassau Street and that some other stand may be assigned for them was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Robert Clark to be appointed Superintendant of Wharves Piers & Slips was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

Two Petitions of a number of persons praying that some measures may be taken to relieve them and to have the Water removed from Grounds above 13th [6] Street were severally read and laid on the Table, they were afterward called up and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of A Ketchum to be relieved from Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Daniel McLaren to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Assessment was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Reuben Spencer to be appointed a City Surveyor was read and laid on the Table it was afterward called up and referred to the Law Committee

A Petition of Joseph Burk for extension of time to pay an Assessment for paving Public Square at corner of Chapel Beach and Walker streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Communication from the Commissioners of the Alms House was received relative to employing Vagrants &c praying that a Special Committee be appointed to confer with them Whereupon His Honor the Mayor appointed on that Committee Alderman Mott [7] Ald Ireland Mr Bolton Ald Woodruff Mr Lynch Ald Coe His Honor the Recorder

A Petition of a number of persons to have the working of the Eighth Avenue continued was read and referred to the Road Committee

A Petition of Benjamin Ryer to be appointed a Deputy Keeper of the Penitentiary which was presented at the last Meeting and laid on the Table was called up and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Communication was received from Abraham Craig resigning his Office of Deputy Keeper of the Penitentiary which was read and the resignation accepted

The Report of the Committee on Lands & Places to whom were referred the Petition and Remonstrances respecting the Ground called the Grand Parade and the Report of the Finance Committee on the subject which were made the order of the day for this Meeting were now called up and read as follows

[8] The Committee on Lands and Places to whom the several Petitions and Remonstrances in relation to the Grounds commonly called the Grand Parade and the Report of the Finance Committee of this Board on the same subject were referred Respectfully Report

That the subject has received from your Committee that examination and attention which its magnitude and importance so justly demands

In March 1826 this subject was brought before this Board by a Report from the Committee on Lands and Places, and being laid on the Table for consideration, was not called up again that season—That Report however recommended the abandonment of said Square or that the same should be taken forthwith by the Board under the provisions of the act above mentioned.

The ground in question as is well known to the Members of this Corporation includes a large Tract lying near the Three Mile stone and reduced as it now is, extends from the Fourth to the Sixth Avenue and from 23^{d} to 31st Streets inclusive—This square at present including the Streets and Avenues aforesaid contains 106 Acres or thereabouts, and was laid out under the Act of the Legislature of this State passed 1807 entitled "An Act relative to improvements, touching the laying out of Streets [9] and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes

In 1826 some of the Gentlemen interested in the property contemplated to be taken for this square appeared before the Committee, they appeared also the present year before the Finance Committee, their grievances they stated with frankness and candour: and while on the one hand they cheerfully admitted the undoubted right of this Board, to take private property, when absolutely required for public purposes, on a just and equitable compensation being made to the Owners; they could not help declaring themselves most seriously affected and aggrieved by the operation of the Act under consideration in having their property so burthened, fettered and absolutely tied up, as to have debarred them from exercising the common Acts of Ownership over their own estates for (now) 21 years last past—They say (and your Committee are obliged to admit the truth and force of the assertion) that by the operation of this Act, they have not been

able during the above period to bring their property fairly into the Market, either for Sale or to Lease and are altogether prevented from improving the same by building thereon

Impressed with the peculiar hardship of this case, and satisfied that something ought to be done without delay, in aid of the Petitioners, Your Committee have turned their attention to ascertain something of the probable amount which would be required to purchase [10] the grounds included in said square and for regulating and improving the same in the manner proper for the purposes contemplated by the Act aforesaid—The Committee have found some difficulty in obtaining the necessary information to lay before the Board; they however submit the following as the best data they have been able to procure, and hope the same will be sufficient to enable the Corporation to come to some determination on this important subject without delay

The square including the Streets and Avenues as before stated by the Report of 1826 contains about 1634 building Lots which at $300 per Lot (the then estimated Value amounts to	$490.840
Buildings and improvements thereon including fencing then Valued at	200.000
Regulating the ground one load of earth to each superficial foot at 5 cts pr Load	195.242
Making a Total of	$886.182

The foregoing estimate, it is possible may be erroneous in some particulars, though the Committee are not concious of any great mistake therein—And it is but just to say, that this estimate was very considerably below the value affixed by some of the persons whose lands are situated within the bounds of the contemplated square, and the same was made by said Committee with the advice and assistance [11] of the Street Commissioner

It must be obvious to every member of this Board that these grounds have encreased in value since 1826 and your Committee can now say that the Total amount of said Lots with the improvements value of Buildings &c will be rising One Million of Dollars

From this view of the subject your Committee are induced to believe that the Corporation are not at present prepared to incur so heavy an additional debt, and to impose so serious a burthen on our fellow Citizens if it can with justice and propriety be avoided and they believe the public will cordially acquiesce in such a determination should such be the opinion of the Board—Your Committee beg leave further to state that the Commissioners in their remarks accompanying their Map or plan of the City expressly state in reference to the laying

out of said Parade that "It did not appear necessary only it was felt "to be indispensible that a much larger space should be set apart for "Military exercise, as also to assemble in case of need, the force "destined to defend the City—The question therefore was not and "could not be whether there should be a Parade but where it should "be placed, and what should be its size And here again it is to be "lamented (they say) that in this late day the Parade could not be "brought further South and made larger than it is without incurring "a frightful expence" Such are [12] the emphatic words of the Commissioners, and show clearly and beyond all possibility of Doubt that the laying out of said Square was not in reference to the Health of the City but to the plan of Defence as adopted by the General Government at that day

It is now well ascertained your Committee believe that the wise system of defence adopted and gradually carrying into effect by the Government is altogether Changed and is now based upon the latest improvements in Modern Warfare—Now the plan is to fortify strongly at the remotest points of defence and not in the immediate neighborhood of the City and the reasons, therefore which induced the location of this Parade have altogether ceased to exist, and may now with great propriety be urged as motives for its abandonment

Abandoning therefore for the moment the project of taking these grounds for a Grand Parade as contemplated by the Act of 1807 before mentioned Your Committee turned their attention to the lands owned by this Corporation to see if any place could be substituted with advantage for the Square under consideration, And they find that this Board are the owners in fee of near 400 Acres lying between the House of Refuge and Harlaem at about equal distance between said points and being in parcels of from 5 to 40 Acres. Here your Committee are induced to believe, is abundance of Ground for [13] squares as far as the Public Health is concerned—Some of the grounds as well as their Location are familiarly known to the members of this Board and therefore need not any particular description Viz The City burying ground, Potters field and Hamilton Square

Your Committee after a careful examination of this subject, are decidedly of the opinion that this question ought to be settled and the owners of property within the square relieved from this State of Suspence and uncertainty, and with intent to bring this case to a close, and to present the same in a form upon which this Board can express a decided opinion they beg leave to submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that application be made to the present Legislature to

release this Corporation from their present obligation under the Act aforesaid to take the grounds included within the Grand Parade

Resolved that application be made at the same time for authority to extend the Avenues and Streets through the grounds now included in said Parade

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board prepare a respectfull memorial to the Legislature embracing the scope and object of this Report; and that the same be duly authenticated during the recess of the Board and forwarded to the Legislature without delay

[14] Thomas Bolton
Isaac Amerman
John F Sibell
Signed Henry Storms

After considerable discussion the Question was taken on agreeing to the Report of the Committee and a Division having been called by Mr Stevens the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Alderman Smith Mott Ireland Lozier Ostrander Pittman Valentine Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Seaman Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms Macneven 19

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Coe Peters Mr Stevens Lynch 5 So it was carried in the Affirmative

[15] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert F Dixon for a Water Grant at the foot of 79th Street on the North River presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Robert T Dixon for a Water Grant at the foot of 79th Street on the North River

The grant is required merely to erect a Dock 80 feet in length by 30 in breadth at the foot of said 79th Street in order to be a landing place to accommodate the inhabitants in that vicinity—The Petitioner it is understood is willing to take out a Grant or permission to build said Dock, upon condition that he may use the same free of Quit rent, until the same is required by the Corporation, And whenever they so require the same, the Dock is to revert to the Corporation; under such circumstances your Committee deem the object of the Petitioner reasonable and they submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a grant or permit of the right to build and construct said Dock to the above Petitioner upon the above terms and conditions, and such others as may be prescribed by the

Street Commissioner—The Street Commissioner to prepare the Maps locating the Slips—The grant to be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board and the Petitioner to pay all expences

All which is respectfully submitted

[16] W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Davis to have his Mud Machine used under the direction of the Board presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the subjoined Petition of Samuel Davis for permission to use his newly invented Mud Machine in one of the Public Slips

Respectfully Report

That some of your Committee have examined said Machine and think favourably of it And as Mr Davis offers to work said Machine for two weeks and submit to be paid whatever the Corporation may think proper

Your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Samuel Davis be permitted to use the new invented Mud Machine in Peck Slip under the Direction of the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips for the term of Two weeks

John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman
[17] Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Laws Roads Streets & Canals to whom was referred the agreement proposed to be made between the Harlaem Canal Company and the Corporation reported the draft of the Agreement which was read and laid on the Table for further consideration

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Barzilla Knorine praying to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Barzilla Knorine praying to be released from Personal Tax respectfully

Report

That on investigating the said Complaint they find it to be well grounded and therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
H. B. Bolster
J Amerman
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[18] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of George Belden for relief from Tax having been assessed in Two wards presented the following Report

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of George Belden shewing that he was in the year 1824 Assessed on his personal property both in the first and second Wards and praying that the Amount paid by him in the first Ward be refunded beg leave to

Report

That upon duly investigating the above complaint the following facts were fully established Viz[t]

On the 3[d] of January 1825 the said G Belden paid unto the Collector of the 2[d] Ward the sum of $12.50 which was the amount Assessed upon his personal property in said Ward for the year 1824 that some time after the Collector of the first Ward called upon him for $47, the Amount which was assessed upon his personal property by the Assessors of the first Ward for the said year of 1824 and payment of which was made on the 18 April 1825 Whereupon the petitioner made application to the Board for relief and his Petition was referred to the Committee on Assessments 6[th] June 1825 but said Committee never having made a Report on his case, the Petitioner has steadily followed up his applications until it has come before the present committee it further [19] appeared to your Committee that his complaint was well grounded, inasmuch as the Petitioner had complied with all the duty which was required of him in explanation of the error complained of, and more particularly in producing a Certificate from the Assessors of the First Ward addressed to the then Chairman of the Committee of Assessments wherein it was stated, that they the Assessors were clearly of opinion that they had made an error in said Assessment and it being satisfactory proven to your

Committee, that the first Amount paid was the correct assessment, they Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted and that the sum of $47 be refunded him

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
H. B Bolster
J Amerman
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

It was afterward moved that the Board reconsider the same, Which was agreed to—After some discussion the Question was taken on agreeing to the Report and a Division having been called by Alderman Valentine the Members voted as follows

[20] In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Mott Ireland Lozier Peters Schieffelin Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Stevens Brown Lynch Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms Macneven 19

In the Negative Ald Coe Ostrander Pittman Valentine Mr Shepherd 5

So it was carried in the Affirmative

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Elizabeth Hulens to be relieved from the payment of Personal Tax presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Elizabeth Hullins [21] to be released from a part of her personal Tax

Beg leave to Report

That she personally appeared before your Committee and being duly sworn saith that she is not worth to exceed the sum set forth in her Petition that your Committee are fully satisfied with the investigation and think she ought to be released as prayed for

They respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to [be] granted and a Reduction from $5000, to $500, which appears to be just and equitable which corresponds with Certificate of Assessors hereunto annexed

Bernard J Meserole
Isaac Amerman
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Salter to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Taxation presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Salter praying for a reduction of Tax Respectfully

Report

That whereas the Petitioner was assessed for [22] the sum of $10,000 personal property and it having been satisfactorily proven that said Assessment was erroneous, by the Certificate of the Assessors which is annexed as well as by the Oath of the petitioner Respectfully offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Assessment on the personal property of Benjamin Salter be reduced to $5,000

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J. Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
William W Mott
J Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Catherine Small presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Catherine Small praying to be released from Tax on Real estate beg leave to

Report

That they have fully examined into the claims set forth by the Petitioner and they [23] respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not be granted.

Bernard J. Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Ayres to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Ayres to be released from personal Tax beg leave to

Report

That he personally appeared before your Committee and being duly sworn saith that he is not worth any thing nor was he at the time when the Assessment was made—Your Committee are fully satisfied with the Investigation and think he ought to be released they therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted and he be released from paying any Assessment

Bernard J Meserole
[24] Edmund Smith
H. B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jane Yager to be relieved from the payment of Tax on Real estate presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jane Yager praying for relief of an Assessment on Real estate beg leave to

Report

That an Interferance on the part of your Committee would be Illegal inasmuch as the Petitioner does not complain as having been grievously Assessed it appears that she is bound to pay the Assessment but pleads inability as it is on Real estate Your Committee are of opinion that the property is holden no matter to whom Assessed they Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted for the reasons above stated

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
H. B. Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[25] The Committee on Cleaning streets presented a Report on subject of cleaning streets, accompanied with a Law which were

read Laid on the Table and the Law directed to be printed for the use of the Members

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to [whom] was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in 13th Street near the 6th Avenue presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well and Pump in 13th Street near the Sixth Avenue respectfully

Report

That in their opinion A well & Pump is necessary at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug & built and a pump erected therein in Thirteenth street near the Sixth Avenue

John R Peters
Isaac Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was [26] referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in 2d Street near Avenue C presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Eleventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well and Pump in Second street near Avenue C Respectfully Report their Opinion by the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted

Lemuel Pittman
H. B. Bolster
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump near the junction of Stanton & Columbia Streets presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Eleventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well and Pump near the junction of Stanton with Columbia street Respectfully

Report

as their opinion a Well is necessary at that place and accordingly offer the following [27] Resolution

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted

Lemuel Pittman
H B Bolster
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments presented the following Communication in relation to Petitions for relief from erroneous or excessive Assessments for Taxes

The Committee on Assessments respectfully Report to the Board that they have not been able to find any order or rule from the Board which requires of the Committee on Assessments not to make any Report in favor of a reduction of Taxes or affording relief to those agrieved unless the Certificates of the Assessors of the Wards accompanied the complaints nor can your Committee find on enquiry at the Office of the Clerk of the Common Council or from any other source that any simular Resolution has ever been adopted by the Board. The only document which [in] any way relates to the subject is a Resolution Offered by Alderman White and adopted by the Board on the 12th February 1827 which resolution is hereunto annexed requiring of the Committee on Assessments to cause the parties applying for relief to make [28] Oath of the facts stated in the Petition and to give such other evidence as the Committee on Assessments may require, correctly leaving the whole subject beyond the Oath of the party to the discretion of the Committee, but whereas the Board at its last Meeting appeared to be of an opinion by referring certain Reports back again to the Committee because Certificates of the Assessors did not accompany the Reports, and at the same time expressing an Opinion that said Certificates were indispensably necessary, Your Committee deem it proper that the above statement should be made to the Board, in order that the Board prescribe some fixt rule by which relief may in future be afforded in cases of erroneous Assessments—The difficulty is, that in every case the Certificate of the Assessors might not be attainable, and in all such cases if certificates are indispensible, relief could not be afforeded those who are aggrieved, whatever may be the Opinion of the Committee—Your Committee are fully aware that the very numerous applications for the correction of errors in taxation requires some strictness to be exercised in

order to induce those who are taxed to apply in time to the Assessors for relief and not to delay and neglect the public notice given by the Assessors, and then apply to the Common Council for relief, [29] and although your Committee regret that so many palpable mistakes in taxation do occur they nevertheless are of opinion that some rule may with propriety be adopted by the Board prescribing what proofs will be required before relief will be granted—Under these circumstances and as no rule in regard to Assessors Certificates now Exist Your Committee respectfully offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that no relief in cases of Assessments can hereafter be granted unless the parties have been unable to state their objections before the Assessors of the respective Wards (during the 20 days they are directed by Law to advertise) by absence from the City, indisposition, or some other inability.

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman
William W Mott
H. B Bolster

The same being read was approved and the Resolution adopted —Alderman Peters presented the following additional Resolution which was also adopted

Resolved that the Committee on Assessments be desired in all cases to require a Certificate from the Assessors of the Ward together with such other [30] evidence as the Committee may require to authorize a Report in favor of relieving from Tax

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which were read the resignations Accepted and the appointments made.

Fire Engine Cº
Nº 4

Hiram H Crocker Mechanic 3 Warren Sᵗ
vᶜ John Armstrong Resigned

Thomas Van York Printer Cor Liberty & William Sᵗ
vᶜ Gould Castle Resigned

Nº 8

Elbert Warne Cabinet Maker Howard Sᵗ
vᶜ John Hoey. Resigned

N° 11

Abraham Vanduser Cooper Front S[t] v[c] Gabriel F Mott Resigned
Samuel Turner Book binder 183 Reed S[t]
Vc John Pentz App[d] Fire Warden
Frederick M Heimburger Plater 90 Maiden Lane
v[c] Richard F Carman Resigned
Thomas Smith—Mason 13 Thompson S[t]
v[c] Joseph Pollock—Resigned

N° 15

John Vanduser—Cooper Cor Christie & Bayard S[t]
v[c] Ab[m] W Tuthill Resigned

[31] N° 19

William Betts—Shoe maker 148 Front S[t]
v[c] William Miller—Resigned
Henry Roberts—Comb maker 178 Stanton
v[c] George J Bijotat—Resigned

N° 23

John Lent Resigned

N° 25

John B. Stringham & George S Marschalk—Resigned

N° 26

William Conklin Stevedore 31 Norfolk S[t]
v[c] Richard Blanchard Resigned

N° 28

John T Rowland Slater 92 King S[t]
v[c] Garret T Beekman App[d] a Warden

N° 36

Robert L Hallock—House Carpenter 136 Varick S[t]
v[c] William Capron—Resigned

Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 1

David W Thompson Cabinet Maker Broad S[t] to fill the Company

The Chief Engineer presented a Communication on subject of certain persons (Minors) being appointed Members of Engine Company N° 13 and also recommending the Removal of John Sharrock as Member of Fire Engine C° N° 19, Which was [32] read and that

part relating to the Minors was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department, And that part relating to the removal of J Sharrock was approved of and he was accordingly removed

The Counsel presented a Water Grant to John Jacob Astor pursuant to a Resolution of the Board on 26th March 1827 the premises are on 15th Street extending half way to 14th Street which was directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Counsel presented the following Report of a Deed of Cession from the Farmers Fire Insurance & Loan Company of certain Streets in the 12th Ward

The Counsel of the Board respectfully Reports on the enclosed Deed of Cession from the Farmers Fire Insurance & Loan Company which together with the Communication of the Street Commissioner thereon, were referred to him, that he sees no reason why the said Deed should not be accepted by the Board—It contains a reservation of the right within 14 Months to remove from off the ceeded streets all buildings fences trees plants shrubs wood timber & Lumber

The Counsel deems this reservation not to be unreasonable; but it is a question for the [33] Board to determine

All which is respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was approved, and the Deed accepted and directed to be Recorded

The Counsel presented the following Report on Deeds of Cession from Peter Myers Charles Henry Hall John B Coles & others of 129th Street

The Counsel of the Board respectfully encloses three deeds of Cession of part of 129th Street extending from the East river or 3d Avenue to the 8th Avenue pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 10th September 1827 The other streets that were to be ceded prior to closing a part of the Old Boston post road according to the said Resolution, were accepted by the Board some time ago—The present Deeds are in compliance with the condition stipulated in the said Resolution—These deeds are submitted in order that they may, if accepted be recorded in the usual manner

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was adopted and the Deeds were accepted and directed to be recorded

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed [34] and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For laying Cross walks in the 11[th] Ward and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For pitching and paving Burton street between Bedford street and Trinity Church line and Morris D Camp appointed Collector

For a Well and Pump in Fourth street near the Bowery and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for pitching and paving Amos street from Washington street to Greenwich Lane—Whereupon a Warrant was directed to issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments

The Street Commissioner herewith covers returns of Delinquents on the Assessments

For regulating & paving First street from the First Avenue to North Street

For pitching & paving Raisen street from Herring Street to Fifth Street

For pitching & paving Asylum street from [35] Christopher street to Bank street in order that Warrants may issue to Thomas Cottrell Collector thereof

Respectfully submitted

R Graves S[t] Com[r]

Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents on Sundry Assassments

The Street Commissioner herewith covers returns of delinquents on the assessments

For regulating and paving Mercer street from Amity street to Coles' line

For repaving Chapel street from Duane to Thomas street.

For repaving Hudson street from Anthony to Beach street

For regulating and Paving West street from Cedar to the Northerly side of Cortlandt Streets

For regulating and paving the Gore of Land at the junction of Chapel Beach and Walker streets

For flagging the side Walks of Madison street between Catherine and Oliver streets

For opening Sixth street from the Bowery to the East River—and for liens on sundry Lots for filling in the same in order that Warrants may issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

Respectfully submitted

R Graves S^{t} Com^{r}

Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

[36] The Street Commissioner presented the following Report on the subject *or* [of] draining the grounds above 13th Street

The Street Commissioner in obedience to a Resolution passed in Common Council the 24th Inst " That the Street Commissioner report " to this Board the most suitable mode of drawing off the water above " 13th Street and that he present an Ordinance to assess the expence " of the same on such part of the property which ought to bear the " said expense " Respectfully Reports

That he has given the subject his deliberate and careful attention—The only effectual method for draining the grounds above 13th Street until a permanent regulation shall have been made to 21st Street must evidently be by a covered drain or sewer extending from the intersection of 13th Street with the 5th Avenue to the head of the Minetto sewer in the 6th Avenue near 5th Street a distance of about 3000 feet—if it is contemplated the grounds in question are to remain in their present state, for some five or six years to come it will be necessary to construct the drain of some more durable materials than wood. A brick drain of sufficient capacity to convey of [f] the Water at all times could be built at a sum probably not exceeding Three dollars per foot, or Nine thousand dollars to [37] complete the same—A trunk of wood might be constructed according to an estimate of the Superintendent of Repairs for 25 Cents p^{r} foot or Fifteen hundred dollars including the excavating and filling the ground—An evil of considerable magnitude would result by having a drain of perishable materials placed under the Streets—13th Street and the 6th Avenue will probably be saved the ensuing year—should a drain of wo[o]d be placed under them in a very short time it will decay and consequently a settlement from time to time take place and and expence occur to the public equal to a repaving these Streets, this expence may be anticipated And yet cannot be added to the expense of constructing the drain

The Street Commissioner is of the opinion that a temporary relief would be afforded to the proprietors of inundated grounds above 13th Street if a drain was opened on the Northerly side of that Street across the line of the 5th Avenue a distance of from two to three hundred feet the accumulated waters would then be conveyed to the West branch of the Minetto Brook and through the trunk under 13th Street and so pass off through the grounds of Mr Gilbert and others to the Minetto sewer—this would afford relief to the sufferers probably for the ensuing summer—as it is not certain that Mr Gilbert will obstruct the passage [38] much before the first of May and after that time it is not probable that a greater quantity of rain will fall than will be immediately absorbed or otherwise dissipated through the summer months, and thus afford time to fill up and permanently regulate the grounds above 13th Street the expence of this cut or drain would not probably exceed $50—Another advantage that this Course (if adopted) would have over that of building a sewer the whole distance would be, that immediate relief would be afforded—Whereas it would occupy more than one month to construct a drain the whole distance to the Minetto Sewer and at least that time before relief would be given to the grounds now under water

Should the Board however determine that either a permanent or temporary sewer be constructed through 13th Street and the 6th Avenue to the head of the Minetto Sewer—the Street Commissioner has prepared the draft of an Ordinance that the expence of building such Sewer may be Assessed on the persons and property deemed to be benefited thereby

All which is respectfully submitted

R Graves St Comr

Which was accepted and the Street Commissioner directed to construct a temporary sewer for that purpose

[39] The Street Commissioner presented a Communication relative to grounds taken by Alfred S Pell a part of which was Greenwich Lane—Which was read and referred to the Counsel of the Board with authority to take legal measures in the premises.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed & Assessors appointed thereto—viz

For paving the Side walks of Hubert street in front of the Lots of John G Leake—And Abraham Dally Francis Peckwell and Thomas Herring were appointed Assessors

For a Well and Pump in 13th Street near the 6th Avenue and Reuben Munson, Henry Cotheal and John B Thorp were Appointed Assessors

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the Correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances vizt

No	1.	Sl B Ward	Occupt	No	38	Beaver St	A privy
	2.	J McComb	do		40	do	Do
	3	Jas Gardner	owner		47	do	Do
	4.	Ths Gardner	do		54	Do	Do
	5.	Wm McLaughlin	do		5	Cannon St	Do
	6.	Rt Gordon	Occupt		55	Cedar St	Do
	7	[40] M Birdsall	do		59	Do	Do
	8.	A Arden	owner		64	Do	Do
	9.	J W Burtis	do		70	Do	Do
	10.	D P Campbell	do		127	Cherry St	Do
	11	Do	do		129	do	Do
	12	Do	do		131	Do	Do
	13	Do	Do		133	Do	Do
	14	Do	Do		135	Do	Do
	15	Do -	do		137	Do	Do
	16	Do	do		139	Do	Do
	17.	Js B Bird	occupt		143	Do	Do
	18.	S Wheeler	owner		75	Chrystie St	Do
	19.	E Wheeler	Do		115	do	Do
	20.	J Jones	Do		131	Elm St	Do
	21.	Pr *Amayr* [Aymar]	Do		145	Forsyth	Do
	22.	Ts A Gill	Do		151	Greenwich St	Do
	23.	S Wheeler	Do		135	Hester St	Do
	24.	Dd Valentine	Occupt			Jews Alley	Do
	25.	L Reinhardt	do	No	7	Lumber St	Do
	26.	N Lyman	do		8	do	Do
	27	E Welsh	do		37	Oak St	Do
	28	Am Carman	do		44	Orange St	Do
	29.	M Crow	Do		193	Spring St	Do
	30.	Do	Do		195	Spring St	Do
	31.	Rt Jeffrey	do		204	Washington St	Do
	32	Jno Hanmer	owner			Bleecker St	A Lot
	33	Rt Benson	do			McDougal St	Do

Also

No	1.	[41] M Ma[r]x	owner		Amity & Greene	A Lot
	2.	J J Astor	do		King St	do
	3.	R Mathison	Do		Mott St	Do
	4.	Dl N Tucker	do	4	Caroline St	A Privy
	5.	Js R Smith	do	7	Cedar St	Do

No 6.	Mrs G Clinton	owner	2	Franklin Square	A Privy
7.	Do	Do	4	Do	Do
8.	J G Gottsberger	Executor	352	Greenwich St	Do
9.	Js Beatty	owner	35	Jay St	Do
10.	G McKay	do	37	Do	Do
11.	Xavier Bill	Occupt	38	do	Do
12.	Lewis Angevine	owner	65	Mott St	Do
13.	Wm Merrill	do	53	Nassau St	Do
14.	Jo Stoneall	Occupt	89	do	Do
15.	Mrs G Clinton	owner	353	Pearl St	Do
16.	Do	Do	354	Do	Do
17.	Sl Boyd	Do	23	Pine St	Do
18.	Rt White	Do	56	do	Do
19.	C Dusenberry	Do	134	Pump St	Do
20.	J Bingham	do	36	Reed St	Do
21.	W & J Vanbuskirk	do	59	Vesey St	Do
22.	J Dobbin	Executor	No 2	Torbert St	Do
23.	M Bishop	Owner	No 222	William St	Do
24.	B McGowan	Occupt	208	Do	Do

Geo Cuming
City Inspector

Which was read and passed

[42] Mr Recorder presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor be requested to tender to the Honorable the Senate the use of the Common Council Chamber for the purpose of holding therein the next Court of Errors, if they shall think fit to convene in the City of New York

Upon motion the Board then proceeded to the Appointment of Commissioners of School money when the following Gentlemen were unanimously appointed vizt

1st	Ward	Henry Brevoort Junr
2d	"	Elisha W King
3d	"	William A Seely
4th	"	David Bryson
5th	"	Gideon Tucker
6th	"	John Gray
7th	"	David Lyon
8th	"	Cornelius Harsen
9th	"	George S Doughty
10th	"	Joseph Piggott
11th	"	Cornelius Schuyler
12th	"	Gideon Lee

13th Ward E D Compstock
14th " Jacob Aims

[43] The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Account 24th Inst	$29.531.26
1 Account audited & directed to be paid	
To unknown Owners to be paid to James Fairlie Clerk Supreme Court Award forming Public Square 9th Ward—balance	8405.72
Balance	$21,125.54

The Board the[n] adjourned to Monday next the regular Meeting at 5 OClock P M

[44] In Common Council April 7th 1828

Present The Honbl William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Junr
William S Coe	James Lynch
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Abraham M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	Henry Storms
	James Palmer
	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of George T Trimble Treasurer of the Public School Society praying that the Society be relieved from an Assessment [45] on Public School No 8 was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Richard Turner & others praying to have Front street opened from Clinton Street to Corlaers Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Edward C Clifford to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Pierre P Parsells to be appointed a Clerk in the

Street Commissioners Office was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John Groshon and others praying that Reade street may be repaved from Broadway to Washington street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Abraham B Martling Keeper of the City Hall to have a Warrant passed in his favor for $200, for the purpose of purchasing Fuel for said Hall was read and the prayer of the Petitioner granted

A Petition of Samuel Thompson and [46] others to have the Streets opened and regulated between Bank street and Old Kill Road was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Memorial of Alfred S Pell to be allowed to purchase a part of Greenwich Lane was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of David S Lyon & others praying to have vacant Lots in 5th & 6th Streets fenced in which was read and referred to the City Inspector to Report an Ordinance therefor.

A Petition of sundry persons for laying the Side walks in Perry street from Greenwich Lane to West street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Patterson complaining of an alteration of an Assessment on his real estate in Christopher near Herring street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Jacob Worth for the appointment of Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

[47] A Petition of Jacob Rabineau for permission to place his New York Salt Water floating Bath at the foot of Chamber street during the summer season was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of John Roome praying to be appointed Assistant Keeper of the Penitentiary was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Robert M Mitchell to be appointed a Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Stephen Ward to be appointed a Weighmaster was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John C Hamilton to be relieved from his personal Tax or a part thereof was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Remonstrance of Robert Hoe and others against extending Cedar street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Robert Cornell and [48] others that Cartmen and Porters may be prohibited standing at the corner of Pearl and Fulton streets was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Memorial of owners and Occupants in the Block bounded by William Pine Pearl streets and Maiden Lane representing the situation of said block as greatly exposed to the danger of Fire and stating the several Alleys opening therein as a great nuisance and recommending the Petition for opening Cedar street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of a number of persons to have the 8th Avenue continued until it strike the corner of Bank and Hudson street, and to have Herring street continued into said Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Peter Baker for the Office of Street Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Remonstrance of a number of persons dealers in the Article of Ballast against the conduct of David L. Ogden Ballast Master was read and referred to the Law Committee

[49]A Return of Nicholas Dean Clerk of the City and County of New York of Election of Assessor of 13th Ward held on the 25th & 26th of March 1828 when Obadiah Newcomb Junr was elected which was read and accepted and the Clerk of the Board directed to notify the person elected—The following is the Return from the Clerk of the City & County

City and County of New York } ss
Clerks Office. }

I Nicholas Dean Clerk of the City and County of New York do Certify that at an Election held in the thirteenth Ward of said City on the Twenty fifth and Twenty sixth days of March last past

Obadiah Newcomb Junior

Was by the greatest number of Votes elected an Assessor of said Ward Dated 3 April 1828

N Dean

A Communication was received from one of the Police Magistrates relative to the granting of Tavren Licences which was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of a number of persons praying to have the Lamp and Watch Districts in the 12th Ward extended to 21st Street was read and referred, that part relating to Lamps to the Lamp Committee & that part relating to the Watch to the Watch Committee

[50] A Communication was received from Roswell Saltonstall on subject of an Observatory was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences

A Petition of James Hartell for a Butchers Licence and for a Grant of Stall N° 33 Washington Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Benjamin Romaine to be relieved from Taxes on Lot Common Lands N° 161 Assessed to him by Mistake of Assessors was read and referred to Committee on Assessment

A Petition of a number of Persons for a Well in Suffolk street between Stanton and North street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward & Street Commissioner

A Remonstrance of Neil Gray against the appointment of Robert H Haydock William L Jenkins John N Mott and James F Gibert as firemen to be attached to Fire Engine Company N° 13 was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of S A Darling to be appointed a Clerk in the Alms House was [51] read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition*er* of William P Stoutenburg—praying to be remunerated for the loss he has sustained by his Horse Drow[n]ing at the Albany Bason occasioned by the bad State of the Wharf was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Thomas Longworth praying that the Common Council will take immediate measures to have certain streets regularly numbered previous to the first day of May to enable him to make his Directory complete and accurate was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Communication was received from Chauncey Ives resigning his Office as Clerk of the Alms House which was read and accepted

A Communication was received from Edwin Smith resigning his Office as Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office which was read and accepted

His Honor the Mayor stated that during the recess of the Board he had received the following Law from Archd Campbell Esquire

Deputy Secretary of State entitled "An Act relative to improvements in the [52] City of New York relative to West street" which was read and directed to be filed

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Christopher street from Washington Street to the Bulkhead presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Christopher street from Washington street to the Bulkhead

respectfully Report

That in their opinion the Street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following resolution

Resolved that Christopher street be regulated and paved from Washington street to the Bulk head

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Forsyth street repaved from Bayard to Grand Street presented the following Report

[53] The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Forsyth street repaved from Bayard to Grand street and the side walks thereof widened and paved respectfully Report that in the opinion of your Committee so much of that street as lies between Bayard street and Hester street ought to be repaved, and that the Block between Hester and Grand street remain for the present— They accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that so much of Forsyth street as lies between Bayard street and Hester street be repaved and the side walks thereof widened and relaid

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for paving Avenue C from North to Second street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for paving the Avenue C from North to Second street respectfully Report that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and Accordingly submit the following Resolution

[54] Resolved that Avenue C be regulated and paved from North Street to Second street

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of altering the names of Rynder and Collect street so as to give the said streets one name presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of altering the names of Collect and Rynder streets so as to give one name to both Streets respectfully

Report

That they have given their due consideration and altho' your Committee are averse to the altering the names of the Streets on trifling causes Yet when a case occurs like the one under consideration where two short streets pursuing the same line throughout are called by different names, an evil of considerable magnitude exists, as in the present case so uncertain is it where Collect street terminates, and Rynder street commences that the names of both are affixed on the corner of White street, in order [55] therefore to remedy the inconvenience Your Committee recommend that the names of Collect and Rynder streets be changed to one name throughout in fixing on such name the Committee are not tenacious, they however recommend that of Central street would be an appropriate one, as it leads directly to the Centre Market and is nearly Central to two of the most leading Streets Broadway and the Bowery

In order to express the views of your Committee they offer for consideration the following Resolution

Resolved that the name of Collect street and Rynder street be expunged from the Maps of this City

Resolved that the Streets heretofore known and distinguished as

Collect and Rynder streets be changed to that of Centre street throughout and that it be marked and numbered accordingly

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee presented the following Report relative to defraying the expences of sweeping and cleaning Streets and Wharves

The Finance Committee respectfully Report to the Board that for the purpose of Keeping [56] the Accounts of cleaning & sweeping the Streets, Wharves Piers, and public Grounds & places in this City, in proper order, and under the inspection of one Department, it is expedient and proper that the expences appertaining thereto should be defrayed and the services performed, under the direction of the superintendant of Streets—It seems that the several Ward Inspectors account to their respective Aldermen for their expenditures and receipts, in sweeping intersections &c Whereas Your Committee think that all such matters ought to be under the direction of the Superintendant

It seems also, that for cleaning Wharves or Piers the expenditures are made by persons not appointed by the Board but casually selected or employed by the Committee on cleaning Streets

It likewise appears, that heretofore the practice has been for the Chairman of the Finance Committee to have Warrants passed in his favor, for sums of money to make advances to the Ward Inspectors to pay for sweeping Intersections

These various modes of defraying expenditures relating to the same matters Your Committee deem improper—And they therefore recommend to the Board, the adoption of the following Resolutions

I. Resolved that it shall be the duty of the Superintendant of Streets to take charge of all the expenditures appertaining to the sweeping of Intersections [57] of streets, and of wharves and Piers; and shall give such directions relative thereto, under the advice & direction of the Committee on cleaning streets, as he shall deem expedient; and that all advances of money, shall be made to such Superintendant for such purposes; and all accounts of the Ward Inspectors, and others relating to the premises shall be first made to said Superintendant and by him submitted to the Comptroller with his usual Accounts, And that the whole services and expenditures to be per-

formed and made relative to the premises shall be in the Department of the Superintendant of Streets.

II Resolved that a Copy of the preceding Report and Resolutions be sent to the Superintendant of Streets by the Clerk of the Common Council And that they take effect from and after the first of May next

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Coster for the purchase of a Lot of Common Lands in the 12th Ward presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully [58] Report on the within Petition of Henry Coster for the purchase of a Lot of Common Lands in the 12th Ward—Your Committee are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to sell or dispose of the Lot of land in question; And they have already Reported to the Board that they deem it unadvisable at this time to dispose of any Common land Lots—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Hugh Smith, and Owen McCabe praying to be paid ballances due them for paving Certain streets presented the following Report in favor

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petitions of Hugh Smith and Owen McCabe praying to be paid balances due them for paving—Your Committee think that these balances ought to be paid, in which [59] opinion the Street Commissioner accords—The following resolution is therefore respectfully submitted.

Resolved that the Comptroller report Warrants for balances due Hugh Smith for paving Side walks in Harman street, and Owen

M^cCabe for paving Elizabeth street—The Amounts to be audited by the Street Commissioner in the usual manner

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
W^m H Ireland
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Public School Society for the remission of a Tax presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Public School Society for remission of Tax Respectfully Report

That it appears by some oversight the Assessors of the 8th Ward have Assessed Public School N° 8 and the Collector of said Ward thinks it his duty to levy on the School furniture, in order to enforce the payment of said Tax—The School Houses of the Public School society are by the Law of the State expressly exempted from Taxation—Your Committee [60] therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 8th Ward be requested to return the Tax on Public School N° 8 among the errors of said Ward that the same may be cancelled

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry B Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of S Thompson & others to continue West street presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips Respectfully Report on the within Petitions of S Thompson and others to continue West street, according to the plan heretofore approved by the Board—Your Committee are of the opinion that West street ought to be so continued and made from its present termination at Hammond street to a line intersecting the middle of Jane street

At present your Committee do not think it advisable to order the Street to be [61] continued any further Northwardly.

Your Committee therefore Offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner as soon as all the Water Grants are taken out within the said bounds, report the usual order or Ordinance to have West street made and continued by the adjoining owners from its present termination at Hammond street to its intersection with a line drawn through the middle of Jane street

All which is respectfully submitted

John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman
John Shepherd Junr
Wm H Ireland
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Road Street and Canal Committees to whom was referred the subject of examining the Securities offered by the Harlaem Canal Company presented the following Report

The Law Road Street and Canal Committees beg leave respectfully to Report to the Board that they have examined the securities offered by the Harlem Canal Company, agreeably to the Resolutions of the Board heretofore adopted—Your Committees have concluded to accept the following described premises viz

[62]I A tract of Land lying North of the Harlaem Road that leads from McGowans pass to Harlem containing about fourteen Acres which was conveyed by John Towt Master in Chancery to Archibald Watt

II. Also 106 Lots of 2500 square feet principally between the 6th & 7th Avenues & 95th & 101st Streets together with the Streets and Avenues opposite the same which were conveyed by Dudley Selden to said Watt by Deed bearing date 22d March 1828 containing about Ten Acres

III. About thirty Acres of Land on the Harlaem Commons lying in a body between the 6th & 8th Avenues and 100 & 105th Streets conveyed by said Selden to said Watt

IV. Also Eight Acres of Land on the Kingsbridge Road formerly belonging to Daniel McCormick

Your Committee consider the above land as ample security for the Bond of Mesrs Watt & Wagstaff which is to be in the penalty of

Fifteen thousand dollars—This land is to be Mortgaged to the Corporation according to the resolutions heretofore adopted, which together with the Companys bond for $30,000 are to be in Lieu of the deposit money.

Your Committee have thus approved of the forms and sufficiency of the Bonds & Mortgage and Agreement in relation to this Matter, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions Viz[t]

Resolved that the agreement with the Harlem Canal Company be authenticated in the [63] usual manner during the recess of the Board, provided the Counterpart thereof be first duly executed by the Company and provided further, that the said Bond of the Company, and of Watt & Waggstaff and the said Mortgage to secure the last mentioned Bond on the aforesaid premises, are also previously duly made and executed to the satisfaction of the Counsel of the Board

Resolved that the Harlem Canal Company after complying with the resolution aforesaid be permitted to break ground on, and to complete that part of the Canal lying between the Bloomingdale Road and the North River, and also to break ground on and complete that part of the Canal lying between the Third Avenue and the East River, And that these sections of the Canal be constructed of Sixty feet width—And that the plan of the Locks to be erected on the Canal and the depth of the Channel of the Canal and the Wall of the same be subject to the approval of the Street Commissioner

Resolved that the Board adopt and approve of the Rout of the Canal as designated on a Survey & Map furnished the Common Council by the said Canal Company provided the Company comply with said Resolution

All which is respectfully submitted

Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
James Lynch
[64] John F. Sibell
William S Coe
W Seaman
John R Peters
Gideon Ostrander
H. B. Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Ryer for Office of Deputy Keeper of the Penetentiary presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Ryer to be appointed a Deputy Keeper in the Penitentiary have made the necessary inquiry concerning the Character and Qualifications of the Petitioner, And your Committee find him well recommended—They therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Benjamin Ryer be and he is hereby appointed a Deputy Keeper in the Penitentiary in the place of Abraham Craig resigned

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

[65] which was read—The Petition of John P Roome was called up and read—The Board then proceeded to Ballot for a person to fill the Office, when Benjamin Ryer was declared duly elected—and it was Resolved that Benjamin Ryer be and he is hereby appointed Deputy Keeper of the Penitentiary

The Alderman & Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump corner of North & Ludlow streets presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Eleventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in Ludlow street near North street Respectfully Report their opinion by the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a pump erected therein near the intersection of Ludlow and North streets

Lemuel Pittman
H. B. Bolster
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Comptroller presented to the Board a Release to Conrad Ritter of the Quit Rent reserved on Lot N° 124 Common Lands in the 12th Ward which had been Commuted for and the Indenture has been examined [66] and approved by the Counsel of the Board

Whereupon the same was directed to be duly executed during the recess of the Board

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return—Whereupon the appointment was made and the Resignation accepted

Fire Engine Co

No 6

Charles Sliver. Carpenter 25 North Moore St

vc Joseph Christopher Resigned

The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments

The Street Commissioner herewith covers returns of delinquents on five Several Assessments in order that Warrants may issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof

Respectfully submitted

R Graves St Comr

Returns on Assessments

For widening Side walks of Elm street
" Flagging the Side walks of Canal Street
" Well & Pump in Le Roy street
" Repaving Grand from Wooster to Laurens Street
" Well & Pump in Bank street

Whereupon Warrants were directed to be issued to [67] Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed & Assessors appointed thereto—Vizt

For a Well & Pump in Ludlow street near North Street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine & Shivers Parker were appointed Assessors

For a Well and Pump in Columbia street near Stanton street and Thomas Hertell Cary Dunn and John McKesson were appointed Assessors

For paving Avenue C from North to Second street and John Slidell Abraham Le Foy and Henry Mead were appointed Assessors

For repaving Forsyth street from Bayard to Hester street and John Brower William Alburtis and John Boyce were appointed Assessors

For paving Christopher street from Washington street to Bulk head and Isaac Kip Samuel Purdy and Peter L Webb were appointed Assessors

[68] The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well and Pump in Jane street near Asylum Street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For paving Fifth street from First to Third Avenue and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented a Final Return of Delinquents on Assessments for Advertisement—Whereupon the Street Commissioner was directed to advertise the same

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No	1. L Decasse	Owner		Rivington St	A Lot
	2. C McEvers	do		Broome St	Do
	3. A Lamb	do		Sheriff St	Do
	4. Etna Company	do	No 220 & 222	Broadway	A privy
	5. A Divver	do	179	Broome St	do
	6 W & G Post	do	134	Chapel St	Do
	7. P Martin	Executor		Cross street	Do
	8. [69] Wm Allen	owner	29	Columbia St	Do
	9. L Carl	do	31	do	Do
	10. Pr Martin	Executor	47	Duane St	Do
	11. Ar Weyman	owner	224	Elizabeth St	Do
	12. G Grumback	Agent	6	Frankfort St	Do
	13 Mrs P Lockwood	Owner	90	James St	Do
	14. Chs J Clark	do	13	Mott St	Do
	15. Sl Cornish	do	6	Varick St	Do

Geo Cuming Cy Inspector

Which were passed

Mr Sibell moved that the Report of the Special Committee to whom had been referred certain Resolutions proposed by him on the 11th of February and which were reported upon on the 25th of February last and laid for consideration be now called up and considered —The question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative. The Resolutions and Report were then read in the words following vizt

(Resolutions presented by Mr Sibell)

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized to collate and order to be printed for the information of this Board and the Citizens generally a detailed account of the expenditures and vouchers incurred in consequence of the late Canal Celebration.

II. Resolved That the Committee on the Paulding Monument be

also requested to report proceedings at the next Meeting of this Board

[70] The Committee to whom was referred the annexed Resolutions respectfully

Report

That from an examination of the accounts and vouchers of the expenditures of the late Canal Celebration, which are on file in the Comptrollers Office, and open to the inspection of every citizen The Committee are of opinion that the amount expended on that occasion was unnecessarily lavish and p[r]ofuse

Your Committee would have recommended the printing of an abstract of those items, to be presented to this Board, in order to prevent in future, such powers being granted to any Committee whatsoever did they not believe that the object proposed, will be effected by the adoption of the following Resolutions. The Committee however avail themselves of this occasion to state that the evils complained of arise in a great measure out of the practice which has prevailed in this Board of investing Committees with the power of expending monies without any specific appropriation, or previous estimate of expense, a practice which the Committee are of opinion ought to be discontinued—They therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions

Resolved that the practice of investing [71] Committees with powers to expend monies is inexpedient and ought to be discontinued; unless upon a specific appropriation founded on previous estimate.

Resolved that the system of passing Warrants in favor of the Chairman of Committees for monies to be disbursed under their direction is highly improper, and subversive of the responsibility which should be preserved in this Board and it[s] various departments

Resolved that the Committee on the Paulding Monument be request[ed] to report proceedings forthwith

All which is respectfully submitted

J. F Sibell
Samuel Stevens
William S Coe
Stuart F Randolph
M[r] Lynch

M[r] Bolton moved that the Resolutions and Report be rejected—After some considerable discussion M[r] Bolton withdrew his motion—It was then moved to lay the Report and Resolutions on the Table—Considerable debate was had thereon, when the Recorder moved that

the Board reject the Report and Resolutions—Upon the question of agreeing to the same, a Division having been called by Mr Sibell the Members voted as follows viz

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith [72] Lozier Coe Peters Ostrander Pittman Valentine Mr Bolton Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Storms Macneven 14

In the Negative Ald Mott Ireland Lamb Randolph Woodruff Mr Stevens Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Palmer 11

So it was carried in the Affirmative

Mr Macneven moved that the Report of the Committee on Arts & Sciences on the Communication of William Dunlap—Historical Painter be now called up which motion was negatived—He then moved that it be made the order of the day at the next meeting of the Board which was agreed to

Alderman Smith moved that the Report of the Committee on cleaning Streets presented on 31st March last and laid for consideration be called up and Considered which was agreed to—The Report was then [73] read in the words following

The Committee on Cleaning the Streets respectfully Report to the Board, that altho' the present system of having the Streets cleaned under the Superintendant has been beneficial, they are nevertheless of the opinion that the Superintendant might procure the same to be done in some parts of the City in a more economical manner if his powers were extended by the Board

Your Committee particularly allude to the upper wards or wards beyond the first six—which your Committee think might be procured to be attended to free of expense to the Board—Doubts are entertained whether the Superintendant under the direction of your Committee, has the authority at present to accept of any offer or offers to take the dirt from the upper wards—And your Committee after duly considering this matter, are fully of the opinion that the said Wards might be cleaned at less expense than*t* at present if the necessary authority be given for that purpose—Your Committee therefore recommend that the annexed by-Law be passed by the Board, under the operation of which they hope to economise in the expenditures for cleaning the upper part of the City

All which is respectfully submitted

Edmund Smith
Gideon Ostrander
Henry B Bolster

The Law proposed by the Committee was then read

[74] Whereupon the Report was approved and the Law was passed under the Title of "A Law to amend the Law in relation to cleaning the Streets in the City of New York"

Alderman Lamb presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that the Street Commissioner under the direction of the Finance Committee cause the buildings standing on the site of the intended Market on Spring street to be sold and removed

Mr Brown presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that the Committee on the Fire Department be increased to Five members

Mr Lynch presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant for One hundred dollars in favor of S Miller Esqr Public Administrator to pay Counsel in the case of the appeal respecting administration upon the Estate of J G Leake deceased

Alderman Lamb presented the following which was adopted.

[75] Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be added to the Market Committee for the purpose of considering the expediency of constructing West Street across Washington Market Slip

Alderman Lozier presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to examine and Report on the expediency of repaving Pearl street from Chatham street to Elm street.

Mr Stevens presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor issue a proclamation offering a Reward of One hundred and fifty dollars for any information which may lead to detection and conviction of any person or persons who may have been guilty of setting fire to the new House lately burnt in Carmine street in the 9th Ward of the City of New York

Alderman Peters presented the following which was referred to the Finance Committee

Resolved that the Chairman of the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be authorized to examine and Certify the accounts for Ordinary Repairs & expences of the Mud Machine, And that the Superintendant [76] of Repairs be authorized to cause all repairs of Wharves Piers & Bulk heads belonging to the Corporation to be made under the direction of the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Alderman Peters presented the following which was referred to the Police Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Police Committee to Report an Ordinance authorising the Police Magistrates & Commissioners for granting Licences to enter the Houses of retailers for the purpose of detecting breaches of the Laws & Ordinances

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that a Cross walk be laid across Grand street to Goerck Street

Mr Sibell presented the following which was referred to the Committee on Public Offices

Whereas the practice of flying Kites is attended with considerable danger to our Citizens generally Therefore Resolved that it shall be the duty of the Street Inspectors to enforce the Law and use their utmost exertions in prosecuting any person their parents, masters or Guardians who shall be detected in violating the same

[77] Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Lamp Committee

Resolved that Lamps be placed in West street between Hammersly and Hammond street and in such other Streets in the 9th Ward as are but partially lighted

Alderman Peters presented the following which was referred to the Finance Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Finance Committee to report upon the expediency of restricting the expenditure of Public Moneys except for the preservation of the Public Property and public interest unless in cases of Special Committees who may be limited

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Act[t] 31 March	21.125.54
Rec[d] for Tax of 1827	45.750.
" " Streets	8.828.33
" " Rents	6.226.70
" " Penalties	976.26
" " Justices Courts	662.28
" " Tavern Licences	630.
" " Fines &c of Attorney	233.50
" " Clerk of Sessions fees	118.41
" " Wells & Pumps	111.95
" " Mayoralty fees	102.
	$84.764.97

[78] 81 Accounts Audited & ordered to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart	Watch 1st Dist[t]	1396.50
Hibberd & Astin	do 2[d] "	945.
Stagg & Herring	do 3[d] "	973.

Wm Paulding Mayor			1 Qr	Salary	2d April ...	750.
John G Bogert Inspector of Hacks			1 Qr	"	...	200.
J Sidell First Marshall			1 Qr	1 Apr	.....	225.
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield			1 Mo	"	.....	69.75
Jacob Hays High Constable			1 Qr	"	.....	62.50
O Ayres Asst City Inspector			1 Mo	"	.....	58.50
J Coffin	do		"	"	.....	58.50
Astin & Higbie Asst Keepers City Hall			"	"	.....	77.50
A McCready Keeper of Park			"	"	.....	38.75
C Gillman Keeper of Battery			"	"	.....	38.75
J J Shoemaker St Inspector 1 Ward			"	"	.....	46.50
T Woolcocks	do	2d	"	"	.....	46.50
J B Ebbetts	do	3d	"	"	.....	46.50
N B Lyon	do	4th	"	"	.....	46.50
I. A Isaacs	do	5th	"	"	.....	46.50
S Waddell	do	6th	"	"	.....	46.50
B Fuller	do	7th	"	"	.....	46.50
W. G Babb	do	8th	"	"	.....	46.50
H Mott	do	9th	"	"	.....	46.50
T Austin	do	10th	"	"	.....	46.50
J Woodruff	do	11th	"	"	.....	46.50
D Hubbard	do	13th	"	"	.....	46.50
B OConner	do	14	do	do	.....	46.50
[79] J Morton Clerk C C Hack Accounts					.....	25.
Jacob Odell Rent of Land 3d Avenue 1 year 1 Apl 1818					...	50.
J P Dietrich Auction fees Docks & Slips & 2 Lots of ground					.....	24.
R Riker Recorder 1 Qr Salary 1 April					.....	375.
T Leveridge in full for atten[d]ing Suit against Messereau in N Jersey					.....	50.
D. T. Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo 1 April					....	32.50
J Pinkney Asst Board of Health			"	"	....	52.
C Roosa	Do	Do	"	"	....	52.
J Woodruff for removing Nuisances 11th Ward ordered 24 March					.....	24.43
A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 6 April					.....	129.
John Lovett for Inspectors & Clerks Election for an Assessor 13 Ward					.....	26.
Mercantile Advertiser Subscription 15 Mo 1 Feb 1828					.....	125.
Geo Belden Return Tax 1s Ward 1824 ordered 31 March					..	47.
L Baum	Clerk	Washington Market	1 Mo	1 April	.....	74.17
J Gilbert	"	3 Markes	"	"	.....	65.
P Amerman	"	do	"	"	.....	51.50
J Bremner	"	Catharine	"	"	.....	62.
G Duryea	"	Fulton	"	"	.....	41.67
I Astin Sweeper		do	"	"	.....	46.19
R Smith Clerk		Franklin	"	"	.....	38.75
J Colvill Coroner 1 Qr 1 April					.....	599.87
G Snethen Super lights Lamps			1 Month	1 April	.....	1312.28

G Snethen Super Lamps 1 Qr Salary 1 April.....	187.50
R Provoost repairing Lamps 1 Mo "	301.03
D Dunn & Sons New Lamps & repairing 1 Qr "	549.76
Thos W Jenkins & Co 33 Casks Oil.....	1280.16
Jas Seaman Clerk Manhattan Market 1 Mo 1 April.....	31.
[80] S Fargay bal repav Maiden Lane fm Bdway to William St	42.25
H Smith bal repav Courtlandt St fm Broadway to West St	78.60
Peter Smith bal repav William fm Frankfort to Beekman St.....	80.49
S Fargay bal reg & pav Great Jones St fm Broadway to Bowery	118.93
H Cochran repav Chapel fm Duane to Thomas St.....	121.17
T Cummings bal reg & pav Assylum fm Christr to Bank St	156.49
H Smith Actt laying Cross walks 6th Ward.....	200.
T Cumming Acct reg & pav Herring fm Amos to Bank St.	200.
H Smith Actt reg & pav Broadway fm Art to 10th St.....	200.
H Smith bal pav Sidewalks Harman & Grand St.....	219.04
T Cummings Actt reg & pav Charles fm Washington St to Greenwich lane	250.
T Cummings Actt " " Amos St fm G Lane to Washington St	250.
H Cochran Bal repav Gore at Chapel Beach & Walker St..	345.45
T Cumming Actt reg & pav Hammond fr Assylum St to G Lane	480.
S Fargay Actt reg & pav 4th St fr Broadway to Bowery....	500.
J Pinkerton Acct repav Greenwich fm Courtlandt to Canal St.....	1400.
M Ulshoeffer Atty Costs & Court Charges Opg La Fayette place &c proceeding discontinued	146.42
R Munson & Asses Comrs fees do Do	348.
S Fargay repairs Intersection 4. 6. 8 Wards.....	270.51
Peter McGlinn 1st payt building Well Greenwich St near Christopr	23.62
Wm McKean 1st payt builg Fence around Washington Square	700.
Jacob P Dean & Isaac Batterson raising a Sloop sunk at Chambers St	400.
R Graves St Comr on Actt expences Lands & places.....	500.
R Graves St Comr on Actt repairs to Roads.....	1000.
J. O Woodruff Keeper Penitentiary & 3 Assts 1 Qr Salary 1 Apl	625.
A Burtis Super Alms House 1 Qr " 1 Apl	400.
A Burtis Do for working Convicts.....	3000.
A Burtis Do Alms House	5000.
	28.207.03
Balance	$56.557.94

[81] Board adjourned to Monday the 21st Inst at 5 oClock P M

[82] In Common Council April 21, 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Jr
William S Coe	James Lynch
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Effingham Schieffelin	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	Henry Storms
Abraham M Valentine	James Palmer
	William James Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Communication and Petition from John Hunter Agent of the Commissioners of the Alms House praying for some Compensation for [83] Inspecting Alien Passengers for Commutation was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Communication from Messrs Ferris & Tallmadge Attorneys for Messrs Westerfield & Tucker was received in which they state that a Claim of Messrs Westerfield & Tucker for further compensation for having erected the Fever Hospital is placed in their hands for prosecution, And they request that the Attorney of the Board be authorized to enter an appearance for the Corporation Which was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of David Gelston & others remonstrating against the extension of the 8th Avenue from *from* 13th Street to Hudson street and connecting Herring street with the said Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of a number of persons owners & Lessees of property in and adjoining Front Street against opening the same from Clinton to Corlaers street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against opening and regulating 5th Avenue and the Streets between Bloomingdale Road and 6th Avenue and between 13th & 21st Street was read and [84] referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the Members of Fire Engine Company No 35 for

an Additional number of Men was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A petition of Anthony M Hoffman to be appointed a City Surveyor was read and referred to the Law Committee

A Petition of owners and Occupants of property on Vestry street between Hudson and Washington street for authority to pave said Street under the direction of the Street Commissioner was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Nicholas Vito praying to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Samuel G Dean and others praying to have the streets opened and regulated between 13th & 21st streets was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Alexander Knox [85] and others to have the streets between Bank street and the Kill road regulated and the Bulk head at West street built was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of A. S. Pell & others to have the side walks of 4th Street flagged or paved West of Broadway was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Butchers of Manhattan Market for an extension of time to pay the rent for their Stalls was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers

A Petition of Samuel Purdy for the Office of Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John Williams for the payment of certain ballances due him for filling up ground between Sixth street & Potter's field and for regulating Lafayette Place was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of a number of Butchers in the Fulton Market stating that there are a number of persons now residents of the City who carry on the business of selling meat without Licences & [86] pay no taxes and praying for a prohibition of the same was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of William Alden for Stall N° 8 in Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Rodman Hicks to be appointed a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of the Butchers in Centre Market to have the Butchers in the Bowery prevented from selling at their Shops was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of a number of persons to have the foot of Broome street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Millard that the Deed for a Lot of land purchased by him may be made out to C. G. Ferris to whom Petitioner has sold the same, as the Deed is not deliverable, nor the money payable until fi[r]st of May, Petitioner presumes there can be no difficulty in complying with his request [87] the same being read the prayer of the Petitioner was granted

A Petition of John S Anderson to be appointed Clerk in the Alms House was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John W Seaman for the Office of Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office, And a similar Petition from Benjamin F. Cheesman, were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Benjamin De Forest & others praying that Water street between Roosevelt street and James street may be repaved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of George H Cooper praying to have the liberty of selling the Horses Carriages &c of his Livery stable in front of said Stable on Thursday next was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the first Ward with power

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against the extension of Cedar street was read and referred to the Street Committee

[88] A Petition of Simeon Mason to be appointed Keeper of the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Henry Brevoort for the purchase of a Gore of Land the corner of 10th Street and 5th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Daniel McLaren praying relief from an Assessment on his personal property with the Assessors Certificate was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of J Hoyt proposing to furnish by Contract all the Iron work wanted for repairing the Public Docks was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Leonard Deklyn to purchase a Gore of Land in Troy street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Peter Lyster and others owners of Market Boats plying to and at Fulton Market Slip respecting the lying of Steam Boats and large Vessels in the Slip at Fulton [89] Market, and pray-

ing that large Vessels may be prohibited lying in said Slip was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against opening & Regulating 5th Avenue & the Streets between Bloomingdale Road & 6th Avenue & between 13th & 21st Streets was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Memorial of David Bogert and others remonstrating against the extension of the 8th Avenue from 13th Street to Hudson street & extending Herring street into the same was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of M Doughe[r]ty and H A Simons stating that they have purchased District N° 4 of the Public Docks & Slips from Barclay Street to Castle Garden, and having lately understood that the Common Council intend to extend West street across Washington Market Slip which will be attended with very great injury to them and remonstrating against the same was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips and Market Committee

A Petition of a number of persons praying that proper places may be designated [90] for the disposal of Offals which was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of a number of persons to have the Watch District extended to Burnt Mill point was read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition of Thomas Phipps and others for a Well & Pump in Orange street between Broome & Spring street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of Charles Dobbs & others praying to have Pump street repaved East of the Bowery and to have the side walks extended from the Bowery to Ludlow street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Memorial of John D Brown A Labagh James Votey & others remonstrating against the extension of the 8th Avenue from 13th Street to Hudson street and extending Herring street to the same was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Communication was received [91] from the Revd John Stanford presenting to the Common Council an Ancient Map of the City of New York drawn from Actual Survey by Wm Bradford in the year 1735—Whereupon the same was accepted and his Honor the Mayor requested to return the thanks of the Board to Mr Stanford for the same

His Honor the Mayor stated that he had received from the Deputy Secretary of State copies of the following Laws passed at the last Session of the Legislature Viz[t]

An Act for the establishment of a Superior Court of Law in the City of New York passed 31 March 1828

An Act respecting the State Prison and concerning the Penitentiary in the City of New York passed 21 April 1828—And

An Act releasing to the Corporation of the City of New York a certain Lot of ground in the 6[th] Ward of said City passed April 16. 1828

Whereupon the Law respecting the Superior Court was referred to the Finance & Law Committee

The Law relative to the State Prison, to the Finance Committee & the Committee on the Jail & Bridewell

And The Law releasing certain Lots to the Corporation was referred to the Finance Committee

His Honor the Mayor stated that agreeably to the Resolution of the Common Council at their [92] last meeting he had appointed Aldermen Ireland & Randolph members of the Committee on the Fire Department

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the National Insurance Company to be relieved from the payment of Tax presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within petition of the National Insurance Company It appears that the Company was regularly taxed, according to their statement of Capital as delivered in—But that owing to the conduct of their late Secretary one half of the Capital is lost and they therefore ask to have their Tax reduced accordingly—Your Committee having examined into this matter, are of the opinion that as the Company was duly Taxed, according to their Capital as delivered in, it is inexpedient to reduce the Tax—And they therefore offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
W[m] H Ireland
[93] John R Peters
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Flack & others praying for a reduction of the rate of Commutation on certain Lots in the 6th Ward which are subject to Wheat Rent presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of John Flack and others, praying for a reduction of the rate of commutation on certain Lots in the 6th Ward which are subject to Wheat Rent—The price established by the Board is twelve shillings per bushel of Wheat—This rate or price was recently established, upon the average of wheat for fifteen years past, Commutations upon the new rate have been made—Your Committee are of opinion that the rate ought not to be altered at the present time

They do not see that the rate can be reduced below that now established and therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
[94] William W Mott
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Reuben Spencer for the Office of City Surveyor presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Reuben Spencer to be appointed City Surveyor—Report

That Mr Spencer produces strong and unquestionable testimony of his qualifications for the Office and of his Character for Integrity, and the Committee have ascertained that there is business enough to justify the appointment of an additional City Surveyor, they are therefore of opinion that it would be proper that he should be appointed and recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved [he] be & he is hereby appointed one of the City Surveyors

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
W Seaman
Jacob Wyckoff
Thos Bolton

[95] which was approved and the Resolution adopted, and he was accordingly Appointed

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joshua C Angevine Samuel Cornell and James Hartell for Stalls in Greenwich Grand & Washington Markets presented the following Report in favor

The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions of Joshua C Angevine for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall N° 10 Greenwich Market, of Samuel Cornell for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall Number One Grand street Market transferred to him by William Shelton and of James Hartell for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall N° 33 Washington Market formerly occupied by his father

Respectfully Report

That the said Petitioners are recommended as men of good Character and Steady Habits and regular bred Butchers—The Committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the respective Petitioners ought to be granted

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
Samuel Stevens
Ab[m] M Valentine
W[m] Seaman

Which was approved and Adopted

[96] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Resolution directing them to Report a plan and an Estimate for erecting a Market at the foot of Canal and Sp[r]ing streets presented the following Report

The Market Committee on the annexed Resolution directing them to Report a Plan and an estimate for erecting the Ma[r]ket at the foot of Spring & Canal streets

Respectfully Report

That they have procured from respectable Builders a plan for said Market, and an estimate of the expense of erecting the same, which [they] now present to the Board—The expense according to the said Estimate will be $20,400—The Committee are however of opinion that the said Market may probably be built by contract for a less sum, and they propose should the Common Council sanction the measure, to build the same in that manner. They therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner advertise for Contracts for

building the said Market and that the said Contracts be entered into, And the Market built under the direction of the Market Committee

Anthony Lamb
[97] Stuart F Randolph
Samuel Stevens
Ab^m M Valentine
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Resolution to enquire into the expediency of erecting a Cupola on the Washington Market presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Market Committee, on the annexed Resolution referred to them to enquire into the expediency of erecting a Cupola on the Washington Market agreeably to the original Plan

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee it is expedient to erect such Cupola as the Market does not appear to be finished without it

Your Committee are informed that a place has been left for the purpose in the main building but in consequence of the want of time when the Market was erected a temporary Shed was substituted for the Cupola in which a bell has been hung.

The expense of erecting the Cupola according to an estimate furnished your Committee by the Superintendant of Repairs will be Four hundred and twenty five dollars. Your Committee [98] propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that a Cupola be erected on the Washington Market under the direction of the Market Committee

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
Samuel Stevens
Ab^m M Valentine
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the subject of erecting an addition to the Essex Market presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Market Committee on the annexed Resolution for extending Essex Market

Respectfully Report

That it appears to your Committee that an Addition to the said

Market is much wanted for the accommodation of the increased population in that neighborhood—There is a vacant piece of ground belonging to the Corporation immediately adjoining the present Market, on the West side thereof of 30 or 40 feet, and it is proposed so to extend the Market as to cover this ground

The expense of this improvement according [99] to an estimate furnished by the Superintendant of Repairs will be Eight hundred and five dollars but your Committee are inclined to believe that the same may be done by Contract for a less sum

This Committee propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that an addition be built to the Essex Market on the West side thereof under the direction of the Market Committee

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
Samuel Stevens
Ab^{m} M Valentine
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee & Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Resolution Petition and Remonstrance in relation to the continuation of West street across the Basin at Washington Market presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Street Committee presented the following Report on the subject of opening 8th and 9th Streets

The Street Committee respectfully inform the Board that in their Report on the communication [100] from the Street Commissioner on the 28th Jan^{y} last relative to the opening of certain Streets between the Bowery and 3^{d} Avenue Your Committee stated that inasmuch as that assurances had been given by the proprietor of the grounds that the parts of Streets required to be opened would be ceded to the Corporation it was recommended that the opening by Commissioners be deferred that opportunity might be afforded to proprietor to cede—Since which cession has been made of all of them except Eighth and Ninth streets it has therefore become necessary that Commissioners should be appointed to carry the same into effect Accordingly the adoption of the following Resolutions are recommended

I Resolved that it is desirable for the Public convenience to open Eighth street in the Eleventh Ward of the City of New York from

the Bowery to the Third Avenue and Ninth street in the said Eleventh Ward of the City of New York from the Bowery to the centre of what is commonly called Stuyvesant street (the same being streets laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807) And that the same is hereby ordered and [101] directed to be done, and that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in order that the same may be carried into effect

II. Resolved that the proceedings for the above purposes be united with the proceedings already ordered for Tenth Eleventh and Twelfth streets and that the Petitions for the above purposes be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Perry street between Washington and West streets presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to to whom was referred the subject of paving Perry street between Washington street and West street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion Perry street ought to be regulated and paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Perry street be [102] regulated and paved from Washington street to West street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Counsel relative to the Confirmation of the Supreme Court

of the proceedings for opening Commerce Raisen and Ninth streets presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Counsel to the Board; that the Supreme Court had confirmed the proceedings for opening Commerce and Raisin streets to Barrow street and also for the opening of Ninth street between Broadway and the Sixth Avenue respectfully Report their opinion by the following Resolutions

Resolved that the opening of Commerce and Raisen streets to Barrow street be deferred until the first day of May next—and that the Buildings and other improvements be removed therefrom within Thirty days thereafter

[103] Resolved that the opening of Ninth street between Broadway and the Sixth Avenue be deferred until the first day of May next and that the Buildings and improvements thereon be removed within Thirty days thereafter

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob D Clute to be relieved from the payment of an excessive Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob D Clute praying for relief from an excess of Assessment beg leave to

Report

That the Petitioner personally appeared before your Committee, and made affidavit that he was absent from the City during the Period which the Assessors advertised their Books for examination, and that he was assessed in the sum of $10,000 when it should not be to exceed $500, that being the full amount of his personal property after paying his debts the Certificate of the Assessors having corroborated with the testimony of the Petitioner—Your Committee [104] are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner is just and equitable and had ought to be granted therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Assessment of the Petitioner be rated at $500,

and that the Comptroller be instructed to issue a Warrant to refund the surpluss

Bernard J Meserole
I Amerman
Edmund Smith
H. B. Bolster

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Louisa Lovett for relief from excessive Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Mrs Louisa Lovett praying to be relieved from an Error made in her Assessment

Beg leave to Report

That they have fully investigated the above case and are satisfied that the cause of the complaint is just, and that relief ought to be granted inasmuch as the mistake [105] occurred by the misapprehension of the parties which mistake is fully acknowledged by the Assessors as per Certificate—Your Committee respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Assessment of Mrs Louisa Lovett be rated at $7000 in place of $14.000

Bernard J Meserole
I Amerman
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessment to whom was referred the Petition of George Charters praying to be relieved from the Payment of an Assessment for personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessment to whom was referred the Petition of George Charter praying to be relieved from Assessment on personal Tax beg leave to Report

That he personally appeared before the Committee and being duly sworn saith that he is not worth any personal property—Your Committee are of the opinion that he ought to be released from personal Tax as the evidence is satisfactory to your Committee they therefore Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the [106] Petitioner ought to be granted

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Cotte for relief from an error on his personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Cotte praying to be released from a part of his personal Tax beg leave to Report

That the Petitioner personally appeared before your Committee and being duly sworn gave satisfactory evidence on examination that a Reduction on his Assessment of personal property would appear Just and equitable and your Committee are of opinion that a reduction from $5,000 to $200 would be proper, they respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
[107] Henry B Bolster
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Mrs C F Cutbush for relief from an Assessment presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Mrs C. F Cutbush widow of the late Doctr Cutbush of West Point praying for relief from an Assessment beg leave to Report

That the Petitioner personally appeared before Your Committee and testified that she had been rated at $2,000 personal property, when she is not worth more than $200. That she is ignorant of all Law requiring her to call on the Assessors and that she did not know that she was assessed until about two months since, and as the Certificate of the Assessors agrees with her testimony, Your Committee are of opinion that a reduction from $2000 to $200 would be just and equitable they therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Assessment of the Petitioner be rated at $200, and that the Comptroller be instructed to issue a Warrant to refund the surplus

Bernard J Meserole
Isaac Amerman
[108] Edmund Smith
Henry B Bolster

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of F Nostrand Robert Cornell and Judah & Callender in relation to their premises being constantly occupied by Cartmen & Hand Cartmen presented the following Report

The Police Committee Report on the annexed Petition relating to Hand Cartmen and Cartmen occupying the Street at the corner of Pearl & Fulton streets, that if our present Ordinances embrace and provide a remedy for the alledged grieveance, that then the Petitioners have only to cause the Laws to be enforced by making a Complaint to the Attorney of the Board and if the conduct complained of does not amount to an "incumbrance of the Street" within the meaning of the Corporation Ordinance that then Your Committee are of opinion that it is such an inconvenience as the Petitioners & others of our Citizens are necessarily subjected to—They offer the following Resolutions

Resolved that it is inexpedient to pass any further Ordinance on the subject referred to

Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb
[109] Jacob Wyckoff
James Lynch

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Rebecca Rossitter praying to be relieved from the payment of a fine for selling second hand articles without a Licence presented a Report which was read and Laid on the Table.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Wood complaining against an Ordinance requiring him to fill up certain Lots of Ground presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Police Committee to whom was referred sundry Resolutions in relation to Licenses to Tavern Keepers and retailers of Spiritous Liquors & others presented a Report and also several Sections to be

added to the Law now before the Board for the due observance of Sunday which were read—The Law to amend the Law passed 30th April 1827 entitled a Law for the due observance of the first day of the week called Sunday which was reported on the 24th March last and laid on the Table was called up and read, and the Sections agreed to—The additional sections proposed by the Committee were also agreed to and the whole Law [110] passed—Alderman Valentine presented an amendment which was referred to the Police Committee—Mr Recorder moved that the Board reconsider the Vote taken on agreeing to and passing the Law which was agreed to and the subject was again considered and discussed

When upon Motion it was ordered that the further consideration be postponed And that the additional Sections proposed be printed for the use of the Members

The Counsel presented the following Report on Lease of the Hay scales foot of Christopher Street to Joseph Crowell

The Counsel herewith respectfully presents a Lease to Joseph Crowell of the Hay Scales at the foot of Christopher street for 6 years from 1 May 1828 at the rent of $1200 per Annum for the first three years and $1500 per Annum for the last three years, pursuant to a Report of the Committee on Lands & Places adopted by the Board on the 25th of February last—As no formal Resolution was passed ordering this Lease to be drawn, and no authority given for its being authenticated, the same is respectfully submitted to the Board in order if approved that it may be authenticated provided Mr Crowell makes the necessary surrender of his [111] Lease of the Scales at the foot of Duane street and gives security for the rent as heretofore

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was adopted and the Lease directed to be executed

The Counsel presented the following Report of Leases of Docks and Slips for the ensuing year

The Counsel herewith presents the Leases of the Docks & Slips for the ensuing year, made out by order of the Comptroller as follows

District No 1		or small Boat district to Henry Pratt for	$300.
"	" 2 & 7	Thos R Smith	16.450.
"	" 3	Samuel Hoffman	2.150.
"	" 4	Howard A Simmonds	6.500.
"	" 5	Jacob B Smith	8.575.
"	" 6	Edwd Hitchcock	6.550.
"	" 8 & 9	Henry Pratt	6.850.

The Leases, if approved are submitted, in order that they may be authenticated in the usual manner

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Whereupon the Leases were directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessment which was confirmed viz^{t}

For repaving Madison street from Pearl [112] to Oliver street—Whereupon Thomas Cottrell was appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented a return of Delinquents on the Assessment for regulating and paving Broadway from Art to 10th Street Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following Report on a Deed of Cession from Peter G Stuyvesant of parts of 10th 11th & other streets

The Street Commissioner herewith covers a Deed of Cession from Peter G Stuyvesant to the Corporation of this City for parts of 10th 11th 12th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th 21st and 22^{d} Streets the same having been examined and Approved by the Counsel of the Board

Respectfully submitted

R Graves S^{t} Com^{r}

Which was approved, the Deed accepted and directed to be recorded

The Street Commissioner presented the following recommendations of Collectors to Assessments

The Street Commissioner respectfully [113] recommends the appointment of Nicholas C Everitt as Collector on the Assessment for opening Commerce street and Raisen street—And Thomas Cottrell the Collector on opening Ninth street

Which was approved and they were accordingly appointed

The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for paving Perry street from Washington to West street which was passed and John Towt David Lyon & James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the resignations were accepted and Appointments made—Viz^{t}

Fire Engine Co

No 16

Samuel Thacker—Cabinet Maker 244 Spring St
vc William P Johnson—Resigned
Thomas S Johnson Cabinet Maker 52 Grand St
vc Joseph R Lee—Resigned
George W Williams Cabinet Maker 412 Pearl St
vc John Furlong Resigned
Robert Castle—Cabinet Maker 64 Spring St
vc Joseph Cummings Left the City
John Demott—Cabinet Maker 64 Spring St
vc Thomas R Holden Resigned

[114] No 7

Robert H. Stanton Grocer 63 Cherry St
vc Daniel Dyker Junr Resigned
William Culbert Tailor 37 Collect St
vc William Spence Resigned
William Gospert Painter 83 Mulberry St
vc Abraham Remsen Resigned

No 20

William Gesner—Ship Wright 433 Greenwich St
vc James Smith Resigned

No 26

Abraham Larue Carpenter 108 Henry St
vc David C Harris Resigned

No 41

James Sniffen—Carpenter 205 Stanton St
vc William J Pell Resigned

No 44

Luff S Rhodes—Cartman Cor Lewis & 8th St
vc Edmund Gross Resigned

No 45

Augustus J Flanagan Farmer, Yorkville
vc Benjamin Archy—Resigned
Lewis Whitney—Stage Driver Yorkville
vc Garret Horton—Resigned
Oliver D Latimer Farmer Yorkville vc John G Holt—Resigned

Fire Hook & Ladder Co No 3

Alexander Hamilton Painter 104 Bedford St

vc Henry G Van Ness—Expelled

[115] The City Inspector presented the following Report of an Ordinance for the correction of a Nuisance on 6th Street between Avenues C & D

The City Inspector respectfully Reports an Ordinance for correcting a Nuisance fronting on Sixth street between Avenue D and C said to be the property of Ferris Pell, this Nuisance was a considerable time ago ordinanced to be corrected, and was sent to the Attorney for non Compliance As Mr Pell it is said is about removing from the City, and it is by no means clear that he is the owner of the Lots Now this Ordinance is therefore presented in order that the Nuisance may be corrected, by the Board at the Public Charge, before the warm Season commences, and a Lien held for the Expence or advance of the same

Respectfully submitted

George Cuming City Inspectr

Which was passed

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No					
	1. P Brasher	owner		Prince Street	A Lot
	2. do	Do		Crosby "	Do
	3. Js Murphy	do		Prince "	Do
	4. G Trotter	Do		Sixth "	Do
	5. S Richard	do		Fifth "	Do
	6. [116] Ad S Pell	do		fifth Street	Do
	7. J F Adriance	do		McDougal & fifth	do
	8. W. C. Rhinelander	do		Sixth	do
	9. F & G Rogers	do		Do	Do
	10. S Earle	Do		Do	Do
	11. A Hitchcock	do		Fifth	Do
	12. Jno J Astor	Do		King	do
	13. Do	Do		Do	Do
	14. Do	D		Do	Do
	15. J Brush	Lessee		Washington	Do
	16. C P White	owner		do	Do
	17. M Archer	Do		King	Do
	18. J R Livingston	Do		Delancy	Do
	19. M Wood	Occupt	No 118	Church St	Do
	20. P Judson	owner		Sixth Avenue	Do

21. T Jennings	Occupt	No	34 Broad St	A privy
22. J Watts	owner		320 Broadway	Do
23. Do	Do		322 do	Do
24. Do	Do		322½ do	Do
25. J Dunzen	Occupant		110 Division St	Do
26. Jer D P Champlin	Do		121 Hester	Do
27. Wm Brown	Do		123 Do	Do
28. *F* [J] Cowpethwaite	Do		125 Do	Do
29. J Robins	Owner		1 Madison St	Do
30. P Roosevelt	Do		9 Peck Slip	Do
31. Nl Richards	Do		432 Pearl	A Cistern
32. Do	Do		Do "	A privy
33. Jno Watts	Do		566 "	Do
34. [117] John Watts	Do		572 "	Do
35. W & G Post	Do		164 Water	Do
36. Do	Do		166 do	Do
37. Do	Do		168 do	Do
38. Jno Nexen	do		614 Do	Do
39. Wm Shaw	Do		171 Washington St	Do

George Cuming City Inspector

Which were passed

The Report of the Committee on Arts & Sciences on the subject of a Public Clock presented on the 24th of March and laid on the Table was now called up and read in the words following—vizt

The Committee on Arts and Sciences to whom was referred the Report of a former Committee on the subject of a Public Clock for the City Hall

Respectfully Report

That for a long time past the public have been looking with anxiety to the Common Council for an accurate regulator of time and that in 1826 a Resolution offered by his Honor the Recorder for placing in the City Hall a Clock or Chronometer by which the other Public Clocks in the City should be adjusted, was referred to their Committee on Arts and Sciences by whom the subject was duly examined and its advantages well set forth—However, no definite order was taken by the Board

It is, at last, time that a matter of so much [118] moment to the people at large, should be acted upon; and it must be no less the inclination than the duty of their representatives to conform in this as in all other things, to their just expectations.

Where the interest and honor of our City is so much concerned, Your Committee does not shrink from incurring whatever expense may be necessary for performing this highly useful work in the most

complete Manner; for, here, ill-judged parsimony would be absolute waste; and it is, in no case, beneficial to the people.

Every body Knows, that if we were left to grope our way in darkness through the streets it would save us many thousand dollars which we pay annually for Lamps; and that it is the same with regard to pavements instead of muddy Roads; and piers wharves and Slips instead of leaving Ships to swing with risk and inconvenience in the stream. But a rich and refined people naturally choose in the progress of Society, to have suitable accomodations, and they are not unwilling to be taxed for the needful improvements which their convenience or their good requires.

The utility, nay, the necessity of the work proposed was therefore, the first consideration with your Committee; the next was to have it executed in a manner that would reflect credit on New York; and it is with some pride, we [119] have fully assured ourselves that the delicate philosephical instruments recommended in this report as indispensible can be made here of as perfect a construction, as instruments of the same sort obtained from London Paris or Munich

It is not from any selfish feeling we hold out this h[o]norable fact, for we acknowledge with gratitude that the cultivators of the Sciences are, every where, received as citizens of the same intellectual republic, and interchanging improvements and benefits without distinction of Country; but we mention it as a thing of some interest in the history of Science and the progress of the Arts in our Western hemisphere, which every enlightened and liberal person, wherever placed, will be gratified to Learn

Since a great part of the operations of public and private bussiness is appointed at certain times of the day, the Knowledge of exact mean time is an object of vast importance; but a large town Clock is necessarily exposed to great extremes of heat and cold, consequently the regularity of its rate of going will be affected by the expansion and contraction of the rod of its pendulum.

The correction of such imperfection is a compensation—or grid iron pendulum, constructed of rods of steel and zinc, nicely adjusted to each other—This appendage would add considerably to the expense of the clock, and, after all would not ensure accuracy; but only an approximation to it. Under the most favorable circumstances it would be very inferior as a measurer of time, to a good clock of smaller size placed in a situation less exposed.

[120] Under these circumstances it occurred to your Committee

that the object in view of furnishing the City with a standard of correct time might be obtained in a different manner

In place of attempting to rectify the usual irregularities of a common turret Clock by compensations of an expensive and complex Kind, let the Clock that shall show the hours be no more than a Common one of the ordinary construction; and let other instruments be provided for determining mean time in the most perfect manner from which the public Clock and all the City Clocks may be always regulated with the greatest precision

Those other Instruments are a transit telescope and an Astronomical Clock—The transit Instrument gives with unparalled accuracy, the instant at which a fixed star, or the centre of the sun moon or other planet passes the meredian; and the Clock gives the corresponding time of passage

As the sun takes sometimes more, sometimes less than Twenty four hours in revolving from one meredian until his return to the same again, the hours shown by a True sun-dial differ from those shown by an accurate clock. Hence the equation of time—The coming of the meredian gives apparent time; but it is unequal. A clock which does not vary its rate of going gives [121] mean time, which measures portion of duration by uniform motion—It is equal, and that which applied to the Common affairs of life. While the astronomical Clock is necessary for denoting equated time deduced from apparent time, the observation of the suns coming to the Meredian is no less necessary for finding the error of a Clock and correcting it—They are thus exactly suited to each other

At present the extent and accuracy of astronomical observations, by means of these few instruments, are advancing rapidly and beneficially for commerce throughout Europe; but there is nothing yet that we know of a simular nature in this country, unless a small transit instrument which M^r^ Demilt a public spirited and well informed fellow Citizen has set up for the purpose of his business, and one belonging to the Friends School in Philadelphia. But were we to point out the place where we may expect that liberal, useful, practical science will be called forward with the greatest spirit and rapidity, we should without hesitation name New York—Every thing she does to encourage practical astronomy will be amply repaid by the resulting improvements in navigation and Commerce

Among the immediate utilities of the employment of these instruments would be that of adjusting chronometers for the use of sea Officers. This is a matter of first rate importance. These [122]

Chromoneters, when acurate, do truly determine the Longitude of the Ship at Sea, and with extreme facility; so that in this case of nice accuracy the greater difficulty is to find the latitude, the Chronometer, regulated at our City Hall, being sufficient to give the Longitude correctly at all times, and in all kinds of weather.

Now this correctness of chronometers and consequently their real value, cannot be tested acurately, and therefore cannot be known, but by means of the astronomical Clock. Judge the consequence *is* [if] sea officers were sure, on all occasions, of having their chronometers adjusted here. It would be of most essential benefit to all Vessels that their time when leaving port should correspond with the true longitude of the City and it would make New York probably the regulator of time for the whole western world

Such means of using Chronometers to advantage will render them much more common so that three or four will be provided to correct their smallest variations. A single Chronometer is an unsafe thing to be depended upon—More will be taken to Sea by every Ship, many lives and much property will be thereby saved, and this branch of refined scientific manufacture will be located in our City, to [123] distinguish and Honor it

A first rate astromonical Clock with all the latest improvements and of first rate workmanship properly fitted up in its intended place will be furnished for three hundred dollars

A transit instrument consisting of a telescope of thirty inches in length and magnifying thirty times, would be sufficient for observing any star of the same magnitude as the polar star, The base of the instrument should be circular and of sufficient strength to give it perfect steadiness. This shape will enable it to preserve its figure unaltered in all changes of temperature; a matter of very important consideration.

An eighteen inch repeating Circle will suffice for finding the Meredian Altitude of any C[e]lestial Body and determining the Latitude to the greatest accuracy. One of our fellow Citizens will undertake to make such instruments viz A transit instrument consisting of those several parts put up, and warrant the workmanship and performance equal to those of any instrument of the like Kind made either in London or Paris for a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars.

While upon the subject your Committee beg leave to recommend in order to render the apparatus complete, that there be added a portable repeating theodolite. It can be obtained for One hundred and

Sixty dollars, and would subse[r]ve a great many important collaterel uses

[124] To these might be added, with very great advantage, far transcending the cost, an Azimuth Compass, having its North and South points in the Meredian; the Needle acting freely, would then point out the Magnectic North, and show the exact variation—This Compass would be useful for centuries to come not only for showing the true variation at any time but the quantity of the increase or decrease of its deviation from the true North in any given period of time —It could easily be had by an Annual Record of the variation. Such a Compass fifteen inches diameter to show fifteen seconds, mounted with spirit level and adjustment can be made in our City, in the most perfect manner for a sum not exceeding One hundred and Sixty dollars.

A proper place for setting up those instruments would be in the attic of the City Hall

At the request of your Committee this site was inspected by Professor Renwick, and though it does not unite all the best conditions for placing the astronomical instruments with most convenience in the meridian, yet it is the only place in the Hall that can at all receive them, and it may be used with no other disadvantage than a little additional labour in first placing of the apparatus—The side Wall of the West room is that of the West side of the building and perfectly [125] solid and steady for supporting the Astronomical Clock

The Architect of the City Hall M^{r} M^{c}Comb was consulted and from him your Committee learned that the Centre Room in the Attic was designed Originally for the reception of a large Clock, but with only one face, which might be four feet diameter—If the clock were to have a striking part, the bell could be suspended with most convenience and effect above this room and behind the ballustrade. But if the station of the Watchman and alarm Bells was removed to the steeple of one of the Churches, the Cupola of the Hall could hold the Clock and show four faces.

A substantial well finished turret Clock of the best materials and workmanship without striking part, to show the time on one dial and properly fitted up in the centre attic room in the City Hall the dial to be transparent, can be bought for seven hundred dollars made in our City.

The same clock with striking part	$1000.
A Bell diameter four feet two inches at the brim weighing 2210 ℔ can be bought for	$827.75
The Gas Company will give the fixtures for light the dials with gas for	269.29
And the annual supply of Gas	211.

Your Committee have represented the aspect of the Vacant Room in the City Hall, as not the most advantageous for the location of the transit, they beg leave to suggest to the Common Council that the middle of the [126] building in the rear (the Institute) affords all the opportunities for such purposes that can possibly be obtained in the centre of a great City

A small Cupola erected on it would easily receive all the Instruments and afford every facility of making observations on the circum-polar stars, which are always visible on clear nights in our Latitude, and whose places are more readily found by the eye than those of other stars. Their position could be determined with great accuracy

This need not in any respect affect the location of the great Clock for announcing time to the City

Besides supplying the great desideratum of a true measure of time, the other collateral advantages added to those already mentioned which would be derived from the use of the instruments hereby recommended, are,

1st The true determination of the latitude and longitude of our City. The latter of which in particular, is by no means well ascertained

2dly The probability that in the event of the Common Council providing this scientific establishment, the City Hall would be made the place appointed by law for restoring weights and measures to their proper original magnitude. This alone would be a thing [127] highly honorable to our City.

Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved That the instruments recommended in the foregoing Report be provided by this Common Council under the direction of a Committee

William J Macneven
J. F. Sibell
John Lozier

Mr Macneven Chairman of the Committee then presented the following Resolutions proposed by the Committee in place of the Resolution proposed by them in their former Report

Resolved that a sum not exceeding $1660 be appropriated for providing a transit Telescope, An Astronomical Clock, a Turret Clock and An Azimuth Compass to be placed in the City Hall under the direction of the Committee on Arts and Sciences

Resolved that the Committee on Repairs be requested to direct such alterations as the placing of those Instruments may require

William J Macneven
J. F Sibell
John Lozier

Mr Stevens proposed as a substitute a Resolution directing a Public Clock to be erected, which was negatived—The Question was then taken on adopting [128] the Resolution proposed by the Committee when a Division having been called by Mr Stevens the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Mr Bolton Wyckoff Seaman Sibell Amerman Bolster Macneven 13

In the Negative Ald Mott Ireland Lamb Ostrander Woodruff Mr Stevens Brown Meserole Palmer 9.

So it was carried in the Affirmative and the Resolutions were adopted

Mr Brown gave notice of reconsideration at the next meeting of the Board

Mr Stevens presented the following Resolution

Resolved that it be referred to a Special Committee to Report a plan for the alteration of the present Bridewell and that they Report their opinion as to the uses to which [129] it is proper to apply the same after it shall no longer be required for a City Prison, And whether any further accommodation is necessary for the Police office. Which was adopted. His Honor the Mayor appointed on that Committee Mr Stevens Mr Wyckoff Alderman Lamb Ireland & Mr Bolton

Alderman Peters gave notice that he would move at the next meeting of the Board for the Appointment of Visiting Physicians & Surgeons to the Alms House and Penitentiary

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that Catharine Market Slip be raised and paved so as to conform to the regulations of the Streets contiguous thereto

Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Lands and Places with powers

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to fence in the Corporation Grounds fronting on Eighth street near the 6th Avenue

Mr Brown presented the following which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the Street Committee be [130] requested to enquire into the expediency of repaving James street from Cherry to Madison street

Alderman Ostrander moved that the Report of the Street Committee on the regulation of Chesnut street made on the 10th March last and laid for consideration be now called up which was agreed to— The same being read was as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and repaving Chesnut street in such manner as to cast the water on the surface from Madison street to Oak street respectively Report

That in the opinion of your Commmittee such regulation would add much to the benefit of that Street as thereby the common sewer which now conveys the water from Chesnut to Roosevelt street may be dispensed with and which at present is a nuisance to the neighborhood. Accordingly they submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Chesnut street be filled up and so regulated and paved as that the waters thereof may be conveyed on the Surface from Madison street to Oak street

Gideon Ostrander
[131] Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
John R. Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

The Question being taken on adopting the Report it was carried in the Affirmative

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Acctt 7th Inst	56.557.94
Recd for Tax of 1827	18.900.
" " Streets	10.358.86
" " Loan of John Hardenbrook 9 Aprl	10.000.
" " Rents	1248.75
" " Justices Courts	459.19
" " Wells & Pumps	87.61
" " Mayoralty fees	49.25
" " Fines &c of Sheriff	38.
	$97.699.60

48 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart	Watch 1st Dist			1386.
Hibberd & Astin	do 2d "			946.75
Stagg & Herring	do 3d "			945.
R Graves St Comr	1 Qur	Salary 1 April		500.
Geo: B Smith Asst Street Comr	1 Qr	do 15 Inst		375.
Edwin Smith Clerk St Comr	1 Qr	9th "		75.

D D Williamson Messenger C Council 1 Qr 26th..... 62.50
A B Martling Keeper City Hall to b[u]y Fuel..... 200.
[132] Isaac Wood Physician Bellevue Hospital 1 Qr 1 April 375.
C Ives Clerk Alms House 1 Qr 1 April..... 200.
J Cox Chief Engineer *1 Qr* 1 Qr " ..... 200.
J Hays for 6 Peace Officers attending at Fire Front St 20 Feby ..... 12.
H C Porter for Officers Attending Elections for Assessors 13 Ward ..... 12.
Saml Judd 29 Casks Oil & sundries..... 1216.19
S Miller Public Administrator to pay Counsel in the case of appeal respecting Administration on the Estate of J. G. Leake decd ..... 100.
Charles Mapes Treasr Institutn Deaf & Dumb 6 Mo 13 Aprl 200.
J. R Brady drawg Plans for Canal St Market..... 12.
A S Pell Awd openg 3d Street from 1 Avenue to E River... 960.
A S Pell awd openg Avenue C fm North St to East River.. 111.
Saml Fickett do do Do .. 263.
H Spencer Atty for Abm Stagg Actt reg & pav 1st St fm 1 Avenue to North St..... 750.
S Fargay Actt rg & pav 4th St fm Broadway to Bowery... 500.
J Culbert bal repav Collect St fm Leonard St to Sewer.... 426.75
T Cumming Acct reg & pav Hudson fm Hammond to Bank St ..... 400.
T Cumming Actt " " Hammond fr Asylum St to Greenwich Lane ..... 350.
T Cumming Actt " " Burrows fr Herring to Christpr St ..... 300.
R Pettigrew Actt repav Warren St fm Broadway to Greenwich St ..... 300.
T. Cummings Actt reg & pav Charles St fm Washington St to Greenwich Lane..... 200.
J Pettigrew Actt flagg side walks Great Jones St fm Broadway to Bowery..... 200.
T Cummings Act. rg & pav Greenwich St fm Hammond to Bank St ..... 200.
H Smith bal reg & paving Barrow fm Greenwich to Washington St 189.49
P Smith Actt repav Frankfort fm William to Rose St..... 100.
T Cummings bal reg & pav Herring fm Amos to Bank St.. 66.52
S Fargay bal widenq Sidewalks Elm fm Reed to Duane St. 60.56
[133] E Doughty Surveys &c 1 Qr 1 April..... 467.46
Danl Ewen do 6 Mo " 471.50
J McAuley Repairs Sewers John & Pearl St & Maiden Lane 8.37
R Pettigrew for a Well in Spring near Varick St..... 91.50
J McBarren 1s payt Well Henry near Clinton St..... 31.
J. P. Roome Super Repairs for repairs Wharves & Piers.. 2989.
J. P. Roome do Repairs ..... 1009.

J. P. Roome	Super Repairs for Water	Fulton Market.....	659.	
J. P. Roome	do	Lamps	575.	
J. P. Roome	do	Fire Department	410.	
J. P. Roome	do	Pump Dept	281.	
J. P. Roome	do	Alms House &c.....	100.	
J Fleming Treasr Amt pd Witnesses orderd by Court.....			10.	
Mechanics Bank 5 Bonds $70,200 Interest 1310.40.....			71.510.40	90.807.99
			Balance	$6891.61

Board adjourned to 5 May next at 5 OClock P M

[134] In Common Council May 5th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Jacob Wyckoff
William W Mott	Samuel Stevens
William H Ireland	Isaac Brown
Anthony Lamb	John Shepherd Junr
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	John F Sibell
Stuart F Randolph	Isaac Amerman
John R Peters	Bernard J Meserole
Gideon Ostrander	Henry B Bolster
Lemuel Pittman	Henry Storms
Effingham Schieffelin	James Palmer
Abm M Valentine	Wm Jas Macneven
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of a Committee of the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of St Stephens Church for permission to erect an Iron railing round the Church was read and referred to the Alderman [135] and Assistant of the 10th Ward and Street Commissioner with power

A Petition of John Davenport & others Licensed Butchers to be permitted to continue to sell at their Stalls in the upper part of the Bowery was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the upper part of the Bowery praying that the Butchers Stands may be allowed to remain as they now are was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Mathew H Chase praying that Stall No 52 in Washington Market may be transferred to him was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Samuel D Barnes & others to have the side walks in

Suffolk street between Stanton and North street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Thomas H Smith and others praying to have the Lamp and Watch Districts extended to 28th Street was read—That part relating to Lamps was referred to the Lamp Committee—And that part relating to the Watch to the Watch Committee.

[136] A Memorial of J Adriance and others proposing to ceede to the Corporation sundry streets in the 12th Ward and to close a part of the Old Kings Bridge Road from 124th to 129th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of Laurence Sinclair and others against repaving Pump street from the Bowery to Division street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of David Kipp & others to have the Side Walks in Washington street from Charlton to Hammond street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Isaac Herring & others to have the side walks in Hammond street paved from Washington to Asylum Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Sharp Taylor stating that he purchased a Lease from Horatio Tucker which was from the Corporation to said Tucker of Certain Lots in the 9th Ward for One year and that he cannot get possession of the same and prays for relief was read and referred to the Finance Committee

[137] A Petition of Clement C Moore for a grant of the Water right to the distance of Two hundred feet Westerly of the 10th Avenue between the centre of 19th Street and Centre of 20th Streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Joel Root Agent of the New Haven Steam Boat Company praying to have the Law Repealed which prohibits Steam Boats from laying at Public Docks was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Petition of Eleazer Hall to be appointed Assistant Captain of the 2d District Watch was read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition of William C Rhinelander & others to have 13th Street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of J. G. Pierson & others Merchants at Coenties Slip praying to have Lumber Sloops removed from said Slip was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition Henry C St John to be appointed a Lamp lighter was read and referred to the Lamp Committee

[138] A Petition of Robert Milliken to be appointed Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of John S Doane to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Remonstrance of Benjamin Bailey and others Owners of Real estate in Reade Street against the repaving of Reade street from Broadway to Washington street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Buckmaster praying the Corporation to purchase his newly invented Mud Machine which was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Remonstrance of Jacob B Taylor and others Owners and Occupants of property in Hudson and Herring streets against extending the 8th Avenue to Hudson street and for connecting Herring street with the said Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Henry Jerolaman [139] and others occupants of Cellars under the Washington Market praying that persons may be prohibited from Keeping tables with refreshments for sale in the Market Square was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Morris Crane to be appointed an Assistant Foreman of 2d District City Watch was read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition of Alvaro Hawley praying to be appointed an Inspector of Lumber was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of the Richmond Turnpike Company Lessees of a Ferry from White Hall to Staten Island praying for permission to Rent to Richard Robbins one of the Ferry Houses as a Tavern for the accommodation of passengers was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Hart Herrick & Co Lessees of the Steam Boat Wharf at White Hall that David Jaques may be allowed to continue his Shop at White Hall on the same terms as last year was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Joseph Dakings praying for some relief from the payment of the rent for the land leased to him he being unable at present to pay the [140] same was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of the Owners of property between Bank and Jane streets in Greenwich street praying to have the surplus Earth opposite

their respective Lots granted to them was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants owners of Property in Walnut street praying that the name of said street may be altered was read and refered to the Street Committee

A Petition of Scott Fickett and Francis Fickett owners of property on Avenue D and 3d Street for further time to pay certain Assessments for opening Streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of David Renne to be appointed a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of C G Hasslett & others to have Second street paved from Avenue C to Avenue B was read and referred to the Street Committee

[141] A Petition of Isaac Coutant and others Owners and Occupants of Property between Jones and 13th Street in the Bowery praying that the same may be speedily regulated was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Benjamin Briggs and others praying to have the side walks of Caroline street between Jay and Duane street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Mary Hammond praying that the sum of $2055 45/100 awarded to unknown owners in the opening of Troy street may be paid her, she being the owner of the Land on which the Award was made was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Ira B Wheeler and others to have a New Market erected at the foot of Grand street East River was read and referred the *the* Market Committee

The Finance & Law Committee to whom was referred "An Act of the Legislature for the Establishment of a Superior Court of Law of the City of New York" presented the following Report

The Finance and Law Committees to whom were referred "An Act for the establishment of a Superior Court of Law in the City of New York"

[142] Respectfully Report

That by the Seventh section of the said Act the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, are directed to pay out of the Treasury of the said City to the Chief Justice and to each of the Associate Justices for their services respectively, a sum not less than Two thousand dollars nor more than Four thousand dollars annually at their discretion in quarter yearly payments, and when

such Salary shall be once fixed, the same shall not be diminished during the residue of the Term of Office of the said Justices

The said Act further provides that there shall be paid to the Clerk of the said Court at the time of issuing the first Writ in every suit commenced in the said Court the sum of Seventy five cents as a first motion fee—And for every cause noticed for trial at any term of the said Court the[re] shall also be paid to the Clerk by the party noticing the said Cause for trial at the time of putting the said Cause on the Calender the sum of One dollar & fifty cents as a Judges Trial fee, and the above fees, shall not be paid more than once in any cause—The above fees shall be received by the said Clerk and be by him accounted for and paid into the City Treasury

[143] There is only one other section of the Law that the Common Council are particularly interested in; Which relates to the rooms to be furnished for the accommodation of the Court for the Clerk—And for the Judges Chambers

Your Committee have made only a temporary Arrangement for their accommodation as the rooms in the City Hall are all more or less occupied at present by other Courts and Offices heretofore located

Your Committee cannot estimate with any thing like certainty the amount that will be received into the Treasury from the first motion fee and from the Trial fee mentioned in the section of the Act heretofore referred to It must necessarily depend upon the number of Writs issued and the causes noticed for Trial—They think the whole Amount of receipts may vary from Two thousand five hundred dollars to Three thousand five hundred dollars per Annum

In recommending to the Common Council the amount to be fixed upon for the Salary of the Justices of the said Court your Committee have had some difficulties to encounter with—On the one hand their wish has been to preserve the City Treasury from expence as far as a due Regard to the general Interest should dictate. And on the other hand to allow a sum sufficient fairly to Compensate the Justices of the said Court for an entire devotedness of their time and talents to the service of suitors in that Court

It may be proper to remark that in addition [144] to the sum which the Common Council shall think proper to allow to the said Judges they receive all the Chamber fees to their own use—Weighing therefore all the Circumstances your Committee have thought proper to recommend to the Common Council the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Chief Justice and each of the Associate Justices of the Superior Court of Law in the City of New York be allowed and paid out of the City Treasury the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars annually in quarter yearly payments during their continuance in Office respectively such Salary to commence and begin from the first day of May Instant

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Jacob Wyckoff
Samuel Stevens
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Brevoort to purchase a Gore of Land at the corner of 5th [145] Avenue and 10th Street presented the following Report in favor

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Henry Brevoort, to purchase a Gore of ground in front of his Land at the South Easterly corner of 5th Avenue & 10th Street

This Gore was valued to the Corporation at $25,13/100 by the proceedings for opening 10th Street

It is proper therefore that it should be conveyed to the Petitioner in the usual manner on his paying said sum and expences with interest from the 1st of September 1827—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Counsel prepare the usual Conveyance to Henry Brevoort for the above Gore of Land upon the above terms, and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Tucker & Westerfield relative [146] to a demand for ballance of

accounts for building the Fever Hospital presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the Petition of Tucker & Westerfield on the letter of their Attornies, relative to a demand for a balance of Accounts for building the Fever Hospital—Your Committee find that this subject has been frequently before the Board and that there is no probability of an amicable settlement being made—They therefore Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved, that the Counsel of the Board be authorized to enter the appearance of the Corporation to any suit that may be brought by the said Tucker and Westerfield, and that he defend the same

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of owners of Property on Christie street to have said Street repaved and [147] sidewalks extended presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of owners of property on Christie street to have that Street repaved and Side walks extended together with the Remonstrance against the same have had the subject under consideration and are of opinion that the side walks *out* [ought] to be extended from Division to Bayard street and that the said Street requires to be Repaved and side walks extended from Bayard to Grand street—Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Side walks in Christie street be extended from Division to Bayard street and that Christie street be repaved and the side walks extended from Bayard to Grand street and that the Street Commissioner carry the same into effect

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving James Street between Cherry and Madison street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving James street between [148] Cherry and Madison streets respectfully Report their opinion by the following Resolution

Resolved that James Street be repaved from Cherry street to Madison street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of A Hall & others to have Hudson street paved from Bank to Thirteenth street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition to have Hudson street paved from Bank to 13th Street Report

That in their opinion the paving of that Street is much required and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Hudson street be regulated and paved from Bank street to thirteenth street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
[149] Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of Fourth street paved between Broadway and the Sixth Avenue presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition to have the side walks of Fourth street paved between Broadway and the Sixth Avenue that in their opinion the side walks on the Southerly side of that Street ought to be paved and also the Northerly side excepting in front of the Washington Parade which your Committee deem unnecessary to pave for the present and until the contemplated

improvement of the Parade grounds are completed They accordingly submit the following resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Fourth street be paved from Broadway to the Sixth Avenue excepting that part thereof lying in front of the Washington Parade ground

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[150] The Street Commitee to whom was referred the Petition to have Jane street opened between Greenwich Lane and the Hudson River presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully

Report

on the Petition to have Jane Street opened between Greenwich Lane and the Hudson River that in their opinion the opening so much of that street as has not already been ceeded to this Corporation is necessary and proper and accordingly recommend the [a]doption of the following Resolutions

Resolved that so much of Jane street between Greenwich Lane and the Hudson River as has not been ceded to the Corporation of this City be opened

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary Measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was [151] referred the Petition to have Broome street paved from Mangin street to the Bulk head at Tompkins street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition

to have Broome street paved from the present pavement at Mangin street to the Bulkhead at Tompkins street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Broome street be paved from Mangin street to the Bulk head at Tompkins street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of S Thompson and others to have Horatio Jane Troy & Bethune streets dug out and regulated presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Horatio Jane Troy & Bethune streets dug out and regulated respectfully

[152] Report

That in their opinion the regulating of those streets has become highly necessary and ought to be carried into effect and accordingly submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that Horatio and Jane streets be each regulated from Greenwich Lane to Greenwich street

Resolved that Troy street be regulated from Greenwich Lane to the Hudsons River

Resolved that Bethune street be regulated from Greenwich street to the Hudson river

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Water street paved from Roosevelt to James street presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the petition for having Water street repaved from Roosevelt Street to James street [153] that the repaving of that Street is much required and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Water street be repaved from Roosevelt Street to James Street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of *revaving* [repaving] Pearl street from Chatham street to Elm street presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Vestry street paved between Hudson and Washington street presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition to have Vestry street paved between Hudson & Washington street that they see no objections to the granting the request of the Petitioners and accordingly submit the following Resolution

[154] Resolved that Vestry street be paved from Hudson street to Washington street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Catherine street between Cherry street and the head of the Slip presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Catherine street between Cherry street and the head of the Slip

Report

That in their opinion the repaving of that section of Catherine street is necessary in order to conform to the regulation of the intersecting streets and therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that so much of Catharine street below Cherry street as may be necessary to make it conform to the regulation of the intersecting streets be taken up raised and repaved

Gideon Ostrander
[155] William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 61st Street opened between 3d Avenue and the East River presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Petition of the owners of property on Sixty first street to have the same opened between the Third Avenue and the East River that in their opinion the opening of that Street is much required as well for public as for individual accommodation, and as there are no buildings or improvements at present to be valued the expense of opening will be of small Amount—Your Committee accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Sixty first street be opened and continued from the Third Avenue to the East River

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect.

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
[156] Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of Perry street paved from Greenwich Lane to West street presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition to have the side walks of Perry street paved from Greenwich Lane to West street that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Perry street be regulated and paved from Greenwich Lane to West street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Fire Engine Company N° 35 for an addition of 8 men [157] presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Fire Engine Company N° 35 for an addition of 8 Men

Respectfully Report

That Fire Engine Company N° 35 is stationed at Harlaem and have lately had a large Engine granted to them the increase is therefore necessary and ought to be granted—Therefore,

Resolved that Fire Engine Company N° 35 be allowed to consist of Twenty men being an increase of Eight

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Hook & Ladder Companies Nos 2. 3. 4 & 5 for an increase of four men each presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Hook & [Ladder] Companies Nos 2. 3. 4 & 5 for an increase of Four men each respectfully Report

That an [158] increase of Men to any of the above Companies is unnecessary and ought not to be granted

Therefore Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Theodore Keese & others relative to the situation of a Block of ground between William Pine and Pearl streets and Maiden Lane in case of Fire &c Presented a Report recommending a reference of the subject to the Street Committee which was approved and it was accordingly referred to the Street Committee

The Committee on the Fire Department presented the following Report relative to the building of an Engine House in Roosevelt street between Cherry and Water streets

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully represent that in the sale of the Corporation property in Roosevelt [street] extending from [159] Water to Cherry streets a Reservation was made for the Two Engine Houses now standing on that ground, the sale being Sixty feet from both the said Water and Cherry streets leaving a Lot in the centre fronting on Roosevelt Street of Twenty one feet ten inches for that purpose; It appears that said houses are not now on the proper line being considerably on the Water street Lot and are likewise larger than the space of ground so reserved for them, which renders it necessary that they should be either cut off to the proper size and moved or new houses erected

Your Committee have no doubt in recommending the latter course, the houses are much decayed, so much so that it is estimated that the expense of repairing and fiting for the use of the Engines would be nearly equal to the cost of building with Brick which is calculated at about Five hundred dollars

They therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to erect a Brick Engine House on the ground as above stated under the direction of the Committee of the Fire Department

Isaac Brown
William H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[160] The Committee on Charity on the Petition of Samuel Baxter praying Compensation for the nursing of a Child presented the following Report

The Committee on Charity respectfully Report on the within Petition of Samuel Baxter who prays for relief because the wife of the Petitioner was nurse to a Child who was Innoculated under the direc-

tion of the City Dispensary and which Child died in consequence of one of the Doctors pressing the nurse to let him vacinate the child with Kine pox—Which appears to your Committee to have been small pox, whereby the Petitioner met with great loss and distress

Your Committee have examined several very respectable gentlemen and are fully satisfied that the Petitioner ought to be compensated, as your dispensary was the cause of the great loss and trouble they met with—Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Board order the Comptroller to issue a Warrant in favor Samuel Baxter for One hundred dollars

All which is respectfully submitted

John Shepherd Jun^{r}
Edmund Smith

After some discussion the question being taken [161] on agreeing to the same and a Division having been called by Alderman Ireland the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative M^{r} Recorder Al^{d} Smith Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Ostrander Pittman Schieffelin Woodruff M^{r} Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Seaman Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms Macneven 20

In the Negative Al^{d} Mott Ireland Valentine M^{r} Stevens Palmer 5
So it was carried in the affirmative

The Police Committee to whom was referred an Amendment to the Sunday Law [162] presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Law proposed by the Police Committee amending the Sunday Law which was at the last meeting laid on the Table for further consideration was called up and the further consideration thereof Postponed

The Committee on Applications for Office on the Petition of Henry Hoffman for Office of City Weigher presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Hoffman to be appointed a City Weigher have made particular enquiry as to the Character and capability of the Petitioner to perform the duties of the Office he applies for and find him well recommended—They therefore respectfully Offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Henry Hoffman be and he is hereby appointed a City Weigher for the City and County of New York in the place of Augustus Van Horn removed from the City

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

[163] Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and he was appointed accordingly.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Edward M Guion for the Office of Clerk of the Alms House presented the following Report in favor

The Committee on applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Edward M Guion to be appointed Clerk of Alms House have made inquiry concerning the Character and capability of the petitioner to perform the duties of the Office and find him well recommended by the Commissioners of the Alms House who have had him on trial for the last three weeks. They therefore respectfully be[g] leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Edward M Guion be and he is hereby appointed a Clerk of the Alms House in the place of Chancey Ives resigned and that the Salary be fixed at Five hundred dollars $500, per Annum

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and he was accordingly Appointed

The Committee on Applications for [164] Office to whom was referred the Petition of John W Seaman for Office of Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office presented the following Report

The Committee on applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of John W Seaman to be appointed Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office have made enquiry respecting the Character and Capability of the petitioner and find him well recommended to fill the office he applies for—Your Committee therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that John W Seaman be and he is hereby appointed a Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office in the place of Edwin

Smith resigned and that the Salary be fixed at Five hundred dollars $500 per Annum

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

A Motion having been made that the Board proceed to Ballot for a person to fill the Office the same was agreed to and on the ballots being opened and counted it appeared that none of the Candiates had a Majority—A motion was made to lay the Report on the Table, this was Negatived And the Board proceeded to a second Ballot, when on counting the Ballots it appeared that John W Seaman had a [165] Majority of Votes and was declared duly elected. And it was resolved that John W Seaman be and he is hereby appointed Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of E Weeks and others to have a place designated for the disposal of Butchers Offals presented a Report recommending a reference of the same, Which was approved and it was accordingly referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 11th & 13th Wards

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in Suffolk street presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in Suffolk street respectfully submit the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be built in Suffolk street between Stanton and North street

Lemuel Pittman
H B Bolster
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom [166] was referred the subject of the future occupation of the Bridewell and erection of a New Jail presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table and directed to be printed

The Committee on the Jail and Bridewell presented a Report accompanied with an Agreement between the State of New York and the Corporation relative to the delivery up of the State Prison at Greenwich

The Committee on the Jail & Bridewell beg leave Respectfully to

Report an agreement between the State of New York and the Corporation relative to delivering up the State Prison at Greenwich, the charges for supporting the Prisoners therein after the [Prison] is delivered up and the payment of the purchase money for the said prison. That part of the said agreement which relates to the time of paying the money has been approved by the Finance Committee

And the Commissioners on the part of the State have agreed to the terms thereof—It only remains for the Board to direct that the same be executed on their part

The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the said agreement be authenticated in the usual [167] manner during the recess of the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb
Henry Storms
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Comptroller presented the following Report on the Accounts of the Treasurer

The Comptroller reports that he has examined the Account of the Treasurer for Six Months to the 1st Inst

Also his Account with the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the same period and finds them Correct

G N Bleecker Comptr

Which was directed to be filed

The Street Commissioner presented a final Return of Delinquents on Sundry Assessments Whereupon the Street Commissioner was directed to advertise the same agreeably to Law

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto—Vizt

For a Well and Pump in Greenwich [168] street between Barrow and Christopher street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For a Well and Pump in Henry street near Clinton street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For regulating Tenth street between 5th & 6th Avenues and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well and Pump in Suffolk street between Stanton and

North street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine & Shivers Parker were appointed Assessors

For repaving Chrystie Street from Bayard to Grand street and John Brower William Alburtis and John Boyce were appointed Assessors

For paving side walks of Perry street from Greenwich Lane to West street and John Brower William Alburtis and John Boyce were appointed Assessors

[169] For paving Hudson street from Bank street to 13th Street and Oliver Drake Alexander Coffin Junr and Abraham Bloodgood were appointed Assessors

For paving Side walks of Fourth street from Broadway to 6th Avenue and Isaac Kip Samuel Purdy and Peter L Webb were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Water street from Roosevelt to James Street and Abraham Dally Francis Peckwell and Thomas Herring appointed Assessors

For repaving James street from Cherry street to Madison street and John Towt David Lyon and James Bleecker appointed Assessors

For paving Vestry street from Hudson street to Washington street and Reuben Munson Henry Cotheal and John B Thorp appointed Assessors

For regulating Troy street from Greenwich Lane to Hudson River and Thomas Hertell Cary Dunn and John McKesson appointed Assessors

For paving Broome street from Mangin street to Bulk head at Tompkins street and Thomas Hertell Cary Dunn and John McKesson were appointed Assessors.

[170] For regulating Bethune street from Greenwich street to the River and Oliver Drake Alexander Coffin and Abraham Bloodgood were appointed Assessors

For regulating Horatio street from Greenwich Lane to Greenwich street and Samuel St John Robert Wardell & Brigham Howe were appointed Assessors

For Repaving Chesnut street from Madison to Oak street and Oliver Drake Alexander Coffin and Abraham Bloodgood were appointed Assessors

For repaving Catherine street from Cherry street to South street and Abraham Dally Francis Peckwell and Thomas Herring appointed Assessors

For building a Bulkhead and filling in Sp[r]ing street Basin and

Reuben Munson Henry Cotheal and John B Thorp appointed Assessors

The Counsel presented the following Resolution to open 61st Street from 3d Avenue to East River.

I. [171] Resolved that it is desirable for the public convenience to open Sixty first street in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York from the Third Avenue to the East River—(The same being a street in that part of the said City and laid out into Streets Avenues Squares and Public Places by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807) and that the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done, and that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures to have the same carried into effect

II. Resolved that the Petition to the Supreme Court for the above purpose be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of this Board

Which were adopted

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which were read the Resignations accepted and appointments made vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 5

John Jarvis—Jeweller No 20 Batavia St

Vc John Holdsworth Resigned

No 10

Robert Patterson Mason 5th Street

Vc Richard Colles Expelled for Intoxication

[172] No 29

John Herring Blacksmith 127 Hammond Street

Vc John A Ryerson Resigned

Joseph Stevens Machinist Assylum near Bank St

Vc Daniel Brower Resigned

No 35

William D Bradshaw Innkeeper Harlaem
William Randell Senr Farmer Do
Edward Vermilia—Butcher Do
James Tuttel—Carpenter Do

Sidney Udell	Carpenter	Harlaem
Leonard Jones	Do	Do
Benjamin L Benson	Gentleman	Do
John S Randell	Farmer	Do

Additional to fill the Company

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No	1.	Grove Wright	Owner	No 202	Sullivan St	A Lot
	2.	James Barclay	Lessee	204	do	Do
	3.	Pk Pettit	Do	200	Do	Do
	4.	Ths Bloodgood	owner	No 1	Batavia St	Do
	5.	Mary Ann Sullivan	do	3	Do	Do
	6.	John R Livingston	Do		Stanton St	Do
	7.	Dl McMullan	Do		Mulberry St	Do
	8.	[173] Anthony Lamb	Do		Sheriff Street	do
	9.	Thos L Ogden	do		Wooster St	do
	10.	Alfred S Pell	do		Sixth Avenue	Do
	11.	Mrs Wm Hunter widow	do		Lombardy & Corlears St	Do
	12.	Manhattan Co	Do		Mercer St	Do
	13.	Do	Do		Do	Do
	14.	F Nicholson	Do	53	Ann Street	A Privy
	15.	do	Do	55	do	Do
	16.	Js Bull Jr	Do	No 329	Broadway	Do
	17.	do	Do	329½	do	Do
	18.	Js Foster	Occupt	266	Broome St	Do
	19.	M Ellet	owner	146	Chamber St	Do
	20.	Pr Henratty	Lessee	366	Cherry St	Do
	21.	J Ketterer	owner	28	Chrystie	Do
	22.	M Coddington	Do	225	Duane St	Do
	23.	E Reed	Do	146	Greenwich St	Do
	24.	L C & T Hamersly	Do	148	do	Do
	25.	R Williams	Do	108	Henry St	Do
	26.	N W Turnbull	Do	200	Hester St	Do
	27.	A Divver	Do	45	James St	Do
	28.	T S Burling	Do	83	Orchard	Do
	29	Rt Pearsall	Do	252	Pearl	Do
	30	J McCracken	Do	254	do	Do
	31.	Fs Depau	Do	526	Do	Do
	32.	Jno Targee	Do	192	Water St	Do

Geo: Cuming
City Inspector.

Which were passed

[174] The Annual Report of the Trustees of the New York City Dispensary on Vaccination was received and read as follows

We the undersigned a Committee appointed by the Trustees of New York City Dispensary to Report to the Honorable the Corporation the number vaccinated under the direction of the Institution since their last Annual Report in May do in conformity make the following

Vaccinated		In door	Out door	
1827	May	97	807	
	June	89	808	
	July	61		
	August	40	1	
	September	38		
	October	50		
	November	48		
	December	40		
1828	January	51	8	
	February	65	2	
	March	120	5	
	April	185	18	
		884	1149	Total 2033

Gilb[t] Smith
W[m] C Rhinelander

Which was directed to be filed

[175] The Mayor stated he had received during the recess of the Board "An Act authorising the extension of certain streets in the City of New York" which was referred to the Street Committee"

Upon Motion the Board proceeded to the appointment of Inspectors of Election under the Law of the State entitled an Act to alter the Organization of the Common Council of the City of New York passed 18th April 1828 when the following persons were appointed

1st Ward	2d Ward
Henry J Wyckoff	Jonathan Seymour
Jeremiah F Randolph	William Merrill
Cornelius Roosevelt	Brigham Howe
3d Ward	**4th Ward**
Charles L Livingston	David Bryson
Benjamin Stevens	John Baker
Austin L Sands	Dennis H Doyle
5th Ward	**6th Ward**
David Banks	Shivers Parker
Charles DeBevoise	William Alburtis
Anthony J Bleeker	John Gray

7th Ward
Jameson Cox
Abijah Mathews
Samuel Lupton

8th Ward
Cornelius Harsen
John Morss
William W Cowen

[176] 9th Ward
Thomas Morris
Floyd Smith
George S Doughty

10th Ward
Soloman Wheeler
Nicholas Schureman
Elijah T Pinckney

11th Ward
Peter Pinckney
Jacob Archer
Samuel Andrews

12th Ward
Gideon Lee
John D Brown
Asahel Langworthy

13th Ward
Jeremiah Lounsberry
Nathaniel J Boyd
William Hall

14th Ward
Jacob Aims
Charles Dusenberry
Stephen Kingsland

Alderman Lozier presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that 15.000 of each Kind of Ballots for the approaching Election (for the approval or disapproval of a Law passed by the Legislature for a new Organization of the Common Council) be printed at the Public Expence

Mr Sibell presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Law altering the Organization of the Common Council adopted by this Board and approved by the Legislature be published in the daily papers in this City at least three times before the Election

[177] Alderman Smith presented the following which was referred to the Committee on Cleaning Streets

Resolved that the Superintendant for cleaning streets be authorized under the direction of the Committee to employ another Assistant and proceed on in cleaning the Streets in the same manner as he has done for the last Twelve Months.

Mr Recorder presented the following which was referred to the Finance Committee

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and they are hereby authorised to pay and transfer to the daughter of the late Captain James Lawrence of the Navy of the United States the funds held by them in trust for her under the Resolution of this Board of the 14th September 1813 Upon their being satisfied that she has attained the age of Eighteen years and that she is the only surviving Child of the said James Lawrence

Mr Brown agreeably to notice given moved that the Board reconsider the Vote given at the last meeting on the Report of the Committee on Arts & Sciences respecting a Public Clock—The question being taken thereon and a Division having been called by *the* Mr Brown it was carried in the Affirmative The Members Voted as follows

[178] In the Affirmative Alderman Smith Mott Ireland Lamb Peters Ostrander Pittman Valentine Woodruff Mr Stevens Brown Shepherd Meserole Palmer 14

In the Negative Mr Recorder Aldm Lozier Coe Randolph Mr Wyckoff Sibell Amerman Bolster Macneven 9.

It was then moved that the further consideration be postponed and that it be made the order of the day at the next meeting. Which was agreed to

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the Side Walks of Gouverneur Street be paved

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was referred [179] to the Street Committee

Resolved that Greenwich Street be dug out and regulated from Bank street to the Old Kill Road

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was referred to the City Inspector

Resolved that the Vacant Lots in Madison street between Catharine and Market street be fenced in forthwith so as to prevent a very great nuisance which now exists

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Cleaning Streets.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on the cleaning Streets to direct the surplus earth lying upon the Streets which are regulated in the Ninth Ward to be speedily removed.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Jail & Bridewell

Resolved that the State Female Convicts be continued in the Old Prison for the present under the care of the present Keepers and that the Commissioners of the Alms House be authorized to make the necessary provision for their maintenance

[180] Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that there be allowed and paid to Jacob Hays High Constable in addition to his present Salary the sum of two hundred and

fifty dollars per Annum and that he shall render such se[r]vices on Sunday as the Mayor may direct to commence on 1st April last

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner with power

Resolved that permission be granted to Z Ring Esqr to erect an Iron Railing by the side of his House at the corner of Harman and Rutgers street in the 7th Ward.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 21 April	$6891.61
Recd for Tax of 1827	7111.41
" " Streets	6592.17
" " Rents	949.95
" " Fines of Attorney	679.78
" " Justices Courts	494.53
" " Penalties	292.01
" " [181] Mayoralty fees	96.
" " Wells & Pumps	7.50
	$23.114.96

91 Accounts Audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart—Watch	1s	Dist			1386.
Hibberd & Asten	do	2d	"		976.94
Stagg & Herring	do	3d	"		945.
J Morton Clerk C C		1 Qur	Salary	1 May	500.
A B Martling Keeper City Hall		"	"		250.
Astin & Higbie Asst Keepers	do	1 Month	"		75.
C Myers Keeper of Potters field		"	"		67.50
O Ayres Asst City Inspector		"	"		58.50
J Coffin	do	"	"		58.50
C Gillman Keeper of Battery		"	"		37.50
A McCready Keeper of Park		"	"		37.50
J. J. Shoemaker Street Inspectr	1 Ward	"	"		45.
T. Woolcocks	do 2	"	"		45.
J B Ebbetts	do 3	"	"		45.
N B Lyon	do 4	"	"		45.
I A Isaacs	do 5	"	"		45.
S Waddell	do 6	"	"		45.
B Fuller	do 7	"	"		45.
Wm G Babb	do 8	"	"		45.
H Mott	do 9	"	"		45.
T Austin	do 10	"	"		45.
J Woodruff	do 11	"	"		45.
D Hubbard	do 13	"	"		45.
[182] A B Martling Expences Corporan		1 Qr	1 May		338.48
Courts $46					384.48

Jas G Finn Sunday service 4 Ward 13 days to 1 May.....					19.50
F Seely	do	Do	Do	.....	19.50
G Ostrander expences to Albany respecting Tax Law.....					30.
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health 1 Mo 1 May.....					52.
C Roosa	do	Do	"	"	52.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removing Nuisances 2 Mo 1 May					30.
O M Lownds Sheriff for Officers attending Courts 1 Qr 1 May					1203.75
S Montgomery for Officers serving Subpeonas 1 Qr "					173.25
D T Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo "					32.50
L Baum	Clerk Washington Mark[et]		1 Mo	"	74.17
J Gilbert	" 3 Markets		"	"	64.
P Amerman	" do	"	"	"	51.50
Jas Seaman	" Manhattan	"	"	"	30.
R Smith	" Franklin	"	"	"	37.50
G Duryea	" Fulton	"	"	"	41.67
I Asten Sweeper	"	"	"	"	46.19
J Bremner	Clerk Catherine	"	"	"	60.
J M Bloodgood	Super Streets	1 Qr Salary	1 May	....	375.
Jacob Rapalye	Asst do	"	"	....	250.
Geo: B Thorp	Keeper City Prison & 2 Ast	"	"	....	500.
John J Howe.	Physician do	"	"	....	75.
P Van Pelt printing		"	"	....	436.25
Daily Advertiser Subscription		6 Mo	"	....	50.
A T Goodrich 10 Maps of the City.....					48.50
J Hammond	Justice	1. 2. 3 Wards	1 Qr	1 May	400.
E Morrell	"	4. 6. "	"	"	400.
H Scovell		7. 10. 13 "	"	"	400.
[183] *H Scovell*	"	*7. 10. 13* "	"	"	*400.*
E T Pinckney	"	9. 11. "	"	"	400.
D M Cowdrey	Clerk	1. 2. 3 "	"	"	187.50
G Betts	"	4 6 "	"	"	187.50
R L Jaques	"	9. 11 "	"	"	187.50
R Varick	Rent of Court Room	1. 2. 3 "	"	"	60.
Wm Young	do	4. 6	"	"	32.50
Wm M Whitaker	do	7. 10. 13	"	"	25.
G Snethen lighting Lamps 1 Mo				"	1107.68
R Provoost repairs Lamps			"	"	202.88
S Judd 9 Casks Oil.....					430.92
John L Gilleland & Co for Glass Lamps.....					309.54
Layman & Chandler Setting Posts & work for Lamps 1 Qr 1 May					125.40
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 4 weeks to 4 May.....					316.77
John D Clute Tax refunded 9 Ward in 1827.....					38.
Clara F Cutbush	do	2d	"		7.20
Unknown Owners to be pd J Fairlee Clk Sup Court Awd openg Troy St fm Greenwich Lane to Greenwich St					2055.45
Hetty Gomez Awd opening Troy St		do		Do	652.90
Jas McAllis	do	Do	Do	Do	462.

Michael Tally Awd opening Troy St fm Greenwich Lane to Greenwich St	227.	
Trustees of Orphan Asylum do Do Do	217.75	
Wm Alburtis & Assocts Comr fees & expences openg Commerce & Raisen St	492.17	
M Ulshoeffer Attys Costs & Court Charges do Do	319.25	
M Ulshoeffer do Do openg 9th St fm Broadway to 6 Avenue	147.32	
Abm Bloodgood & Assocts Comrs fees & expences do Do	282.37	
Corns Bogert Atty for Abm Stagg Actt rg & pav 5th St fm 3d to 1st Avenue	1237.89	
J Pinkerton Actt repav Greenwich St fm Courtlandt to Canal St	800.	
[184] O Smith repav Garden fm Wm to Broad St	501.87	
H Smith Actt reg & pav Broadway fm Art to 10th St	350.	
T Cummings Actt reg & pav Burton fm Bedford St to Church line	200.	
O Smith Actt pav Mott St fm Prince to Houston St	150.	
H Smith Actt laying Cross walks 6 Ward	100.	
H Smith bal reg & pav Cherry fm Governeur to Walnut St	68.	
Chas B Shaw Architectural Drawings of the City Hall	319.	
Estate of J McComb repairs Intersections 1st Ward	44.90	
S Fargay repairs Intersections 5 Ward	22.37	
J Gallagher Senr 1s payt Well Pitt near North St	22.	
D Harren 1s payt Well Second St near Avenue C	14.	
R Graves St Comr for repairs Lands & places	250.	
Geo Buckmaster for work of Mud Machine orderd by Committe	110.	23.106.95
	Balance	$8.01

The Board then adjourned this day Fortnight 5 OClock P M

Special Meeting [185] In Common Council 15th May 1828

Present The Honbl William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
William W Mott	Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland	Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb	Samuel Stevens
John Lozier	Isaac Brown
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	
Lemuel Pittman	John F Sibell
Abm M Valentine	Bernard J Meserole
Thomas T Woodruff	Henry B Bolster

His Honor the Mayor stated that this Meeting had been called for the purpose of appointing Inspectors of the ensuing Election under

the Act to alter the Organization of the Common Council of the City of New York in place of persons who had declined serving

The following persons were accordingly appointed

1st Ward

James I Roosevelt—Vc Cornelius J Roosevelt—Mistake in the Name

2d Ward

Samuel B Harper—Vc Brigham Howe—Declined

[186] 9th Ward

Thomas Miller—Vc Thomas Morris—Declined
Charles Oakley—Vc Floyd Smith do

10th

Ebenezer R Dupignac Vc Elijah T Pinckney Do

12th

James H Kip—Vc Gideon Lee Do

13th

Joseph D Palmer—Vc William Hall do

A Resignation of John Perrot Collector of the 2d Ward was received And Accepted

Whereupon Mr Wyckoff presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that an Election for Collector of the 2d Ward be held on Tuesday & Wednesday the 27th & 28th of May Instant to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of John Perrot as Collector of said Ward—And that William Merrill Samuel B Harper and Jonathan Seymour be and they are hereby appointed Inspectors of said Election

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Committee on the Jail & Bridewell and the Special Committee on the Bridewell be united and that they [187] together constitute a Committee for the purpose of considering and arranging the whole system of our City and County Prisons and that they Report to the Board such system as soon as practicable

Mr Wyckoff presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that Three hundred Copies of Chapter VI. of the revised Statutes be printed in pamphlet form and that each Inspector of the ensuing Election be furnished with a Copy of the same

Board Adjourned

[188] In Common Council May 19. 1828

Present The Honb[l] William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Jun[r]
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	James Palmer
	William Ja[s] Macneven

The minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of Joel Post and others praying that Exchange Place may be opened to Wall street was read and referred to the Street Committee

[189] A Petition of the Members of the New York Athen[e]um & New York Society Library requesting that apartments may be granted for the accommodation of these institutions in One of the Public Buildings of the Corporation and suggesting as an appropriate situation for the purpose a part of the Institution in the rear of the Hall and without prejudice to the Corporate Institutions seated there—That Building the funds of the Institutions would enable them to decorate and embellish, so as to render it Honorable and Ornamental to the City, the same being read was referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of John P Fisher W W Boyd and others owners of property in Stone street between White Hall and Broad streets praying that a new Drain may be built the present one being very much out of repair was read and referred to the Street Commissioner with powers

A Petition of John Hyatt to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John Barlow & others Farmers and Drovers residing in various Counties of the State praying that persons may be appointed in each Market to weigh Beef Hides & Tallow offered by them for sale was read and referred to the Market Committee

[190] A Remonstrance from a number of the Inhabitants of the

Eighth and Ninth Wards against the future occupancy of the State Prison for the confinement of Prisoners, stating that the location for such purposes would in their opinion be highly dangerous to the health of the Inhabitants of that part of the City was read and laid on the Table—It was afterwards called up and considered on the discussion of the Report of the Special Committee on the Jail & Bridewell and the Special Committee on the Bridewell

A Memorial of Thomas R Smith Lessee of 7th District of Public Docks was received stating that at the Sale of the Public Docks at Auction Petitioner was assured by the Chairman of the Finance Committee that the same privileges would be given for the accommodation of Steam Boats in the District as formerly and under that assurance he made the purchase—That he has made Contracts with the proprietors of sundry Steam Boats to accommodate them at the Wharves and without this privilege he could not pay the rent agreed upon—That permission is given to several Steam Boats to occupy births at Fly Market and other Slips—He therefore prays that a similar privilege may be granted to him Which being read was referred to the Market [191] Committee and the Committee on Whaves Piers & Slips

A Memorial was also presented from the Proprietors of the Steam Boat Chancellor Livingston stating that they had made contracts with the Lessee of the 7th District as above set forth and requesting permission to occupy the Wharves agreeably to the said Contract which having been read was referred to the same Committee

A Petition of Jacob Drake to purchase a strip of Ground on Roosevelt street adjacent to his property was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of the Butchers of Centre Market praying that the Butchers stands near the Bowery may be removed was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Remonstrance of Samuel M Thompson & others against permitting Wood to be piled on Fulton and Fly Market Slips was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of John Bant and others for a Well and Pump in Governeur between Harmon & Division street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 7th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of Alfred S Pell praying [192] that the Collection of sundry Assessments upon Lots owned by him in the Eleventh Ward may be suspended was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of the Trustees of the Associate Presbyterian Church at the corner of Grand and Mercer streets in behalf of said Congregation to have the Water drawn off between 11th Street and 5th Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Harris and others Owners of Property on Sixth street praying that the side *of* walks of said street from Christopher street to Broadway be paved or flagged was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of William Shaw for return of half of the Assessments for opening Thompson street from Bleecker to Art street a part of his Lot on which he was assessed having been taken for public purposes was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Samuel Judd & others for removal of the Fish Market in Catharine Slip was read & referred to the Market Committee

[193] A Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of Pump street against repaving said Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the Screw Dock Company for permission to extend certain Piers to occupy them exclusively for Steam Boats for a period of Years was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of the 11th & 13th Wards against building a Market at the foot of Grand street was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against the proposed Tax on the Licensing of the Stages was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Patrick McCafferty to be relieved from his Contract to fill in a part of 3d Street between Lewis street and 1st Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Depew & others against the obstruction of Grand street between Broadway and Elm street by old Carriages Carts Sleds &c was read and referred to the Street Committee

[194] A Petition of Mrs Mary Spingler for compensation for land taken by the Commissioners for opening 5th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of John C & R L Stevens Lessees of the Canal Street Ferry praying to be heard in relation to the rent reserved on the Lease of said Ferry was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Isaac B Torboss to be appointed a Deputy Keeper of

the Penitentiary or Bridewell was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John T Blauvelt to be appointed a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of William Vail stating that he is much annoyed by a Nuisance now existing occasioned by the deposit of Manure near his Residence on the 2d Avenue near the Alms House was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward

A Petition of certain Inhabitants [195] stating that the Bloomingdale Road is and has been much obstructed in consequence of the persons now regulating it having lowered the same 8 or 10 feet which renders it almost impassible was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Richard Ward to be appointed a Weighmaster was read & referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John C Peters praying to be appointed a Weighmaster was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Presentment of the Grand Jury was laid before the Board on the present unsafe state of the City Prison and Jail was read and referred to the Committee on the Jail & Bridewell

The following Letter was received from Major General Andrew Jackson returning his thanks for the Gold Medal in commemoration of the Completion of the Erie Canal which was presented to him by the Common Council

(Copy)

Hermitage near Nashville Feby 1st 1828

To William Paulding Esq
Mayor of the City of New York

Sir

[196] I recd from the hands of the delegation of the Republican Citizens of New York the Gold Medal commemorative of the completion of the Grand Canal which the Honorable body over which you preside had been pleased to direct to be presented to me on the late Anniversary of the 8th of January at New Orleans—For this flattering proof of the regard of the Common Council I beg you Sir to tender to it my unfeigned thanks—An emblem of the greatest Moral and physical triumph of the age respectfully offered to the brave men who aided in the defence of New Orleans could not but inspire them with gratitude—Permit me to assure the Common Council that this

testimonial will ever be prized as Characteristic of their liberality and indulgence and as a rich requital for our toils and sufferings—With the assurance of my admiration of the great work which is thus signalized by Art, and will render immortal the Councils which directed it. I offer you my sincere prayers for the prosperity and health of the Community which you represent—And subscribe myself with every sentiment of Respect

Your very Obedient & Humble Servant

(Signed) Andrew Jackson

Which was read and directed to be entered at length on the Minutes & to be published in the Public News papers employed by the Board

A Return was received from the Clerk of the Common Council of Officers of the Corporation who have reported themselves between the 1st and 15th days of May which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

[197] Mr Macnevens moved that the Board now take into consideration the Report of the Committee on Arts and Sciences on the subject of a Public Clock which was made the order of the day for the present Meeting which was agreed to—The Report of the Committee presented at the Meeting on the 21st of April and entered at length on the Minutes was called up

Mr Macneven then presented as a substitute for the Resolution then proposed the following Resolution

Resolved that a sum not exceeding Fifteen hundred dollars be appropriated for providing a Transit Telescope, an Astronomical Clock and a Turret Clock to be placed in the City Hall under the direction of the Committee on Arts & Sciences

Resolved that the Committee on Repairs be requested to direct such alterations as the placing of those Instruments may require

Debates were had thereon and on the question of agreeing to the same a Division having been called by Mr Brown the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Mr Bolton [198] Mr Wyckoff Seaman Sibell Amerman Macneven 12.

In the Negative Ald Mott Ireland Lamb Ostrander Pittman Woodruff Mr Stevens Mr Brown Shepherd Meserole Bolston Palmer 12

The Board being equally divided—His Honor the Mayor gave his vote in the Affirmative so the Report was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joshua Mersereau Deputy Sheriff of Richmond County for relief he having been arested and imprisoned while in the service of the Common Council presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Joshua Mersereau a deputy Sheriff of Richmond County

This is the person who was arrested and imprisoned in New Jersey for serving a Writ in the Waters near Amboy—He asks indemnity for his imprisonment and expences; and claims the sum of $136,$^{84}/_{100}$ which sum Your Committee think ought to be paid to the Petitioner

The following Resolution is respectfully submitted

[199] Resolved that the Comptroller report a Warrant in favor of the said Joshua Mersereau for the above Amount

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the subject of the payment of the funds held by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the benefit of the Child of the late Capt James Lawrence presented the following Report

The Finance Committee to whom the annexed Resolution was referred beg leave to Report thereon that inasmuch as it appears by the Statement of Charles Graham Esquire, that Miss Lawrence has attained the age of Eighteen years, it is proper that the fund appropriated to her use should be transferred to her

Your Committee find that the said fund now amounts to about 42 or 43 hundred dollars And that the Commissioners of the Sinking fund are now liable to transfer the same, which they are no doubt ready to do—Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend that the said annexed Resolution be passed and that it also include the [200] Interest which has accrued on the deposits made in the Savings Bank

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Sinking fund be and they are hereby authorised to pay and transfer to the Daughter of the late Capt James Lawrence of the Navy of the United States, the funds held by them, in trust for her under the Resolution of this Board of the 14th of September 1813 Upon their being satisfied that she has

attained the age of Eighteen years and that she is the only surviving Child of the said James Lawrence

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Mary Hammond to have paid her $2055,45/100 awarded to unknown owners on the opening of Troy street presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Mary Hammond, to have paid to her an Award [201] of $2055,45/100 made to unknown owners on the opening of Troy street—It appears that the Petitioner claims to be the legal owner of the Land for which said award was made—And that by Law such awards are to be paid into the Supreme Court—And that a Warrant for the amount has been accordingly passed by the Board—Your Committee think that the Street Commissioner ought to pay the money into Court according to Law, particularly inasmuch as it is understood that the Petitioners right to receive the money will be contested by Leonard Deklyn and others—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Hart Herrick & Co for leave to Rent a Ferry House at the foot of White Hall street presented the following Report

The Finance Committee Respectfully [202] Report on the within Petition of Hart Herrick & Co for leave to underlet a Ferry House at the foot of White Hall street to Mr D Jaques—Your Committee understand that Hart Herrick & Co are not the Lessees of the Ferry

or landing place in question, but that Moses Jacques and Mr Ogden are such lessees—Your Committee therefore Offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to give Messs Jaques & Ogden the above named lessees, a consent to underlet their small shop for the accommodation of passengers at White Hall for one year to D Jaques

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Clement C Moore for a Water Grant between 19th & 20th Streets on the North River presented the following Report

[203] The Finance Committee Respectfully Report on the within Petition of Clement C Moore for a Water Grant between 19th & 20th Streets on the North River

It appears that in front of Mr Moores premises between said streets there is a reservation, but that it is not necessary to commence such reservation within the distance of Two hundred feet Westerly of the Tenth Avenue

The Petitioner prays to have a grant made to him out to the said distance, to which there appears to be no objection, and the Street Commissioner recommends the same to be so made, upon the like terms and rents as are contained in the Grant to George Rapelye in that neighbourhood—The following Resolution is therefore recommended

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a Water Grant to Clement C Moore for the above premises and upon the above terms, he paying expences—And that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of

Sharpe Taylor for relief in [204] relation to a Lot sold to him for non payment of Assessments presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee Respectfully Report on the within Petition of Sharp Taylor who it seems bought a House & Lots at a Sale for Taxes and now cannot get possession thereof—Your Committee find that is the practice as well of the State as of the Corporation, never to undertake to enforce the rights of purchasers at sales for Taxes—Such purchasers must enforce their own rights, according to Law, without the aid of the Common Council—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Richmond Turnpike Company relative to the Lease of the House at the foot of Whitehall street presented the following Report

[205] The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the Petition of the Richmond Turnpike Company—It appears that the Fulton Bank hold a lease from the Corporation of births for Steam Boats at the foot of Whitehall Street where they have erected two small houses for the accommodation of passengers—The westerly House for the convenience of Male passengers is underlet for a year to Richard Robins; And the Company wish the consent of the Corporation, because by the terms of the Lease, no part of the premises can be underlet without such consent—Your Committee find that Robins is a proper person to whom no objections can be made: and they therefore recommend that the consent of the Board be given—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Comptroller be requested to give a consent pursuant to the above report

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating Greenwich street between Bank street and the Kill Road presented the following Report

[206] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating Greenwich street between Bank street and the Kill road respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the regulation of that Street is necessary and proper and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Greenwich street be dug out and regulated from Bank street to the Great Kill Road

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for opening Lewis street from North to 8th Street presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully report on the Petition for opening and extending Lewis street from North to Eighth that in their opinion that Street ought to be extended agreeably to the prayer of the petitioners, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that Lewis street be opened [207] and extended from North street to Eighth street

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board adopt the usual measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening Cedar street presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and Remonstrance against the opening of Front street from Clinton to Corlaers Street presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of owners and Lessees of property on Front street and in the vicinity thereof between Clinton and Corlaers street to have said street opened from Clinton to Corlaers street together with a remonstrance against the same respectfully

Report

That they have had the subject under consideration and are of opinion that the opening of that Street at this [208] time would be injurious to owners of property and Mechanics on that Street and in that part of the City with the Exception of a few not sufficient to Warrant your Committee in recommending the opening of said Street at this time—Your Committee are of opinion that in the opening of said street no public benefit will result therefrom therefore your Committee offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to open Front street from Clinton to Corlaers street at this time

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions to have the Streets between 13th and 21st Streets opened between the Bowery and North River presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the members

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Alden for a Stall and Mathew Van Benschoten for a Stall [209] in Greenwich Market presented the following Report

The Market Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petitions of William Alden for a Butchers License and for permission to occupy Stall N° in the Greenwich Market and of Mathhias Van Benschoten for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall N° 14 in said Market Respectfully

Report

That the said Applicants are well recommended the Committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the respective Petitioners ought to be granted

Anthony Lamb
Samuel Stevens
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Anthony M Hoffman to be appointed a City Surveyor presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Anthony M Hoffman praying to be appointed a City Surveyor

Report

That the certificates produced by Mr Hoffman afford the most satisfactory evidence that he is a person of excellent Character of active and industrious habits an able mathematician and practical Engineer and your Committee are informed that the bussiness of the [210] City requires the appointment of additional Surveyors when fit and proper persons of unquestionable qualifications present themselves; they are therefore of opinion that it is expedient that he should be appointed and recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Anthony M Hoffman be and he is hereby appointed one of the City Surveyors for the City of New York

James Lynch
Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and Anthony M Hoffman was accordingly appointed one of the City Surveyors

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Petition praying for an alteration in the Law for the Inspection of Lime presented the following Report accompanied with a Law.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Petition praying for an alteration in the Law for the Inspection of Lime Respectfully Report

That being fully satisfied of the importance of having unslacked lime [211] inspected they recommend the adoption of the annexed Law

J F Sibell
William S Coe
John Lozier
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Law passed under the title of "A Law to regulate the Inspection of unslacked or Quick Lime"

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Resolution to review the Salaries of all the Officers appointed and paid

by the Common Council and report on the expediency of raising or decreasing the same presented the following Report

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the annexed Resolutions relative to the reduction or increase of Salaries

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the public interest demands the adoption of the following Resolution they therefore respectfully recommend the passage of the same

Resolved that from and after the present date the Salary of the District Attorney be 2500 dollars per Annum

J F Sibell
William S Coe
John Lozier
[212] Bernard J Meserole

A Motion was made to strike out $2500 for the purpose of inserting another sum which was carried in the Affirmative—A Division having been called by Mr Sibell the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Mott Ireland Lamb Randolph Peters Mr Bolton Wyckoff Stevens Brown Lynch Amerman Palmer Macneven 14

In the Negative Ald Smith Lozier Coe Ostrander Pittman Woodruff Mr Shepherd Seaman Sibell Meserole Bolster 11.

It was then moved to fill the blank with $3000, which was agreed to and the Resolution as amended was adopted in the words following

Resolved that from and after the present date the Salary of the District Attorney be 3000 dollars per Annum

[213] * The Committee on the Jail and Bridewell and the Special Committee on the Bridewell to whom was referred the subjects connected with the appropriation of the State Prison purchased from the State presented the following Report with the draft of a Law on the subject

The Committee on the Jail and Bridewell and the special Committee on the Bridewell, to whom were referred the subjects connected with the appropriation of the Prison at Greenwich purchased from the State, beg leave to report thereon, that they have had the enclosed Ordinance prepared which fully explains their views—It provides for appropriating the North part or half of the State Prison as a Penitentiary in addition to the Penitentiary at Bellevue—And it provides for appropriating the South part or half of the State Prison as a City

* Inserted between pages 228 and 229 of the manuscript volume is the original report of these committees.—ED.

Prison in addition to the City Prison in the Park With respect to the Goal for Debtors, and the permanent appropriation of the City Prison in the Park, Your Committee have not interfered inasmuch as that subject is already before the Board. They merely propose that the City Prison in the Park should be continued as such until the further order of the Board—It will be competent for the Board hereafter to make such disposition of the Jail & City Prison both of which are situated in the Park, as may be deemed expedient At present your Committee merely Report An Ordinance making the necessary appropriation of the State Prison at Greenwich, and such further provisions as are necessarily connected therewith. To which Law [215] they respectfully refer for the details of their plan and which they recommend to be passed

All which is respectfully submitted

Jacob Wyckoff
Samuel Stevens
Thomas Bolton
Anthony Lamb
Wm H Ireland

The following is the draft of the Law.

An Ordinance to establish City Prisons and Penitentiaries in the City of New York.

I. Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened pursuant to the several Acts of the Legislature providing therefor and it is hereby accordingly ordered and resolved that the Northerly half part of the main building and the wings attached to such Northerly half part of the said main building, situate at Greenwich in the Ninth Ward of the said City within the block of ground formed by Washington West Christopher, and Perry streets, and lately known as the State Prison is hereby designated to be a Penitentiary of the City of New York from the passage of this Law: And that the Building at Bellevue at present used as the Penitentiary and known as such, in the Twelfth Ward of the said City, between Twenty fifth and [215] Twenty eighth streets and the Second Avenue and the East River shall also continue to be, and is hereby designated to be a Penitentiary of the City of New York And further that the Keeper of the Penitentiary of the City of New York for the time being, shall be the Keeper of both Penitentiaries, to whom all Commitments to either of the said Penitentiaries shall be directed but he shall nevertheless reside at, and have

the charge of the said Penitentiary at Bellevue, and shall have a deputy Keeper or Keepers to reside at, and have the charge of the said Penitentiary at Greenwich, which Keeper and deputy Keeper shall hold their Offices during the pleasure of this Common Council, and shall be entitled to the same fees and compensation as now allowed.

II. And be it further ordained, and it is hereby further ordained and resolved, That the Southerly half part of the said main building and the wings attached to such Southerly half part of the said main building at Greenwich lately known as the State Prison is hereby designated to be a City Prison of the City of New York from the passage of this Law; And that the building situated within the Park, in the Sixth Ward of the said City, at present used as the City Prison, shall also continue to be appropriated and used, and is hereby designated to be a City Prison of the City of New York until the further order of the Board—And further that the Keeper of the City Prison of the [216] City of New York for the time being, shall be the Keeper of both the said City Prisons to whom all commitments to either of the said City Prisons shall be directed; but he shall nevertheless reside at and have the charge of the said City Prison at Greenwich; and he shall have a deputy Keeper to reside at and have the charge of the said City Prison in the Park which Keeper and deputy shall hold their offices during the pleasure of this Common Council and shall be entitled to the same fees and compensation as now allowed

III. And be it further ordained That the Commissioners of the Alms House and Bridewell of the City of New York are hereby declared to be the Commissioners of the said prison or prisons at Greenwich, and that the said Keeper of the Penitentiary of the City of New York and the said Keeper of the City Prison of the City of New York respectively, under the advice and direction of the said Commissioners, shall and may from time to time designate prescribe order and direct how many and which of the prisoners already committed, or that may hereafter be committed to their Custody shall be imprisoned in and transferred to the respective prisons kept by them and shall and may in like manner change and alter such directions and imprison and transfer such prisoners accordingly and [217] that the said Commissioners shall and may give such directions as to the imprisonment of the State Prisoners in said Prisons at Greenwich and their employment and subsistence, as may be consistent with the Laws of the State and the contract or agreement made with the State in reference thereto.

IV. And be it further Ordained that the present Keeper of the City Prison of New York is hereby appointed the Deputy Keeper of the Penitentiary provided for by the first section of this Ordinance, to reside at and have the charge of the said Penitentiary at Greenwich as aforesaid and whose duty it shall farther be to keep and have the charge of and take care of such of the State Prisoners as are or shall be confined in said Prison at Greenwich according to Law.

The same having been read a motion was made to lay the same on the Table which was negatived.

The Remonstrance against the location of the Penitentiary at the State Prison presented this evening was called up and read—A motion was then made to lay the subject on the Table. A Division having been called by the Recorder the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative. Mr Recorder Ald Peters Ostrander Mr Lynch Seaman [218] Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Palmer Macneven 11

In the Negative Ald Smith Mott Ireland Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Pittman Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Stevens Brown Shepherd 14

So it passed in the Negative—The first section of the Law was read—A motion was made to lay the subject on the table for consideration—This was negatived—The first Section was then agreed to—The second Section was then read—A motion was made to postpone which was negatived

The Question was taken on the second Section a Division haveing been called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Ald Smith Mott Ireland Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Pittman [219] Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Stevens Brown Shepherd Bolster 15

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Peters Ostrander Mr Lynch Seaman Sibell Amerman Meserole Palmer 9

So it was carried in the Affirmative

The Third and Fourth sections were then read and agreed to.

The Question was then taken on agreeing to the whole Law and a Division having been called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Ald Smith Mott Ireland Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Pittman Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Stevens Brown Shepherd Bolster 15

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Peters Ostrander Mr Lynch Seaman Sibell Amerman Meserole Palmer 9

[220] So it was carried in the Affirmative and the Law was passed under the Title of an Ordinance to establish City Prisons and Peni-

tentiaries in the City of New York. Alderman Peters then gave Notice that he would move for a Reconsideration at the next meeting of the Board—On Motion, it was ordered that 100 Copies of the Report and Law be printed for the use of the Members.

Mr Wyckoff then presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Alms House be authorized to receive possession of the State Prison from the Commissioners of the State on Tuesday the 20th Instant—And that the present Keeper of the State Prison for the present take charge of the Female State Convicts and accommodate them according to the rules and regulations of the State and the contract entered into with the Commissioners.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of a number of persons for a Well and Pump in Orange Street between Broome and Spring street presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom [221] was referred the annexed Petition for a Well and Pump in Orange Street respectfully Report, that in their opinion a Well is much wanted at the place asked for by the Petitioners and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a pump erected therein in Orange street between Broome and Spring streets

Thomas T Woodruff
Wm Js Macneven
R Graves

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For regulating Greenwich street from Bank street to the Old Kill Road and Thomas R Smith Cornelius Harsen and Everardus Warner appointed Assessors

For repaving Pearl street from Chatham street to Cross street and John Slidell John B Thorp and John Leonard were appointed Assessors

For repaving Nassau street between Maiden Lane and Cedar street and Abraham Dally David Lyon and Samuel Purdy were appointed Assessors.

[222] The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments

The Street Commissioner herewith covers returns of Delinquents on the Assessment for Flaging the side walks of Great Jones street from Broadway to the Bowery

Also For repaving Greenwich street from Courtlandt to Canal street and also

For repaving Warren street from Broadway to Greenwich street

In order that Warrants may issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof

Respectfully submitted

R Graves Street Comm^{r}

Whereupon Warrants were directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following return of delinquents on Assessments

The Street Commissioner herewith covers returns of Delinquents on the Assessments for regulating and paving Hammond street from Asylum street to Greenwich Lane—and For a Well and Pump in Bank street near Factory street in order that Warrants may issue*s* to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof .

Respectfully submitted

[223] R Graves Street Com^{r}

Whereupon Warrants were directed to be issued to Nicholas C Everitt to Collect the same

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for building a Sewer in Beaver street Which was confirmed and Morris D Camp appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for pitching and regulating 6th Avenue from Greenwich Lane to 13th Street which was confirmed and Morris D Camp appointed Collector

A Communication from the Street Commissioner respecting the removal of the fences and other obstructions from 79th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

The Comptroller presented a Release of Quit rent reserved on a Water Lot between Spring and Charlton street in the 8th Ward granted to Andrew Hunt and commuted for by Stuart F Randolph whereupon the same was directed to be executed

The Counsel presented a Deed from the New York Dry Dock Company to the Corporation for a Lot of ground 13 feet by 25 feet on the North [224] side of Tenth street between Avenue D and Dry

Dock street on which an Engine House is to be built Whereupon the same was accepted and directed to be Recorded.

The Counsel presented the following Resolutions on subject of opening Jane street

I. Resolved that it is desirable for the public convenience to open Jane street between Greenwich Lane and the North River in the Ninth ward of the City of New York according to the plan and on the lines laid down in a Map entitled Map of Property to be taken for the opening of Jane street between Greenwich Lane and the North river May 10th 1828 I F Bridges City Surveyor" (the same being a Street in that part of the said City not laid out into Streets Avenues Squares and Public Places, under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807) and that the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done; and that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in order that the same may be carried into effect as to so much of the land embraced in [225] said street as is not already ceded for that purpose

II. Resolved that the Petition to the Supreme Court in this matter be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Which were passed

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen —Whereupon the Resignations were accepted and the appointments made

Fire Engine Co

No 3

Thomas B Whitlock Junr Tin Worker 3 Chamber St
Vc William Lockwood—Deceased

No 13

Robert H Haydock Merchant 91 Beekman St
Vc Thomas W Osborne—Resigned
William L Jenkins—Merchant 29 Vandewater St
Vc George Timpson Resigned

No 17

Gurdon Florentine Cartman 532 Pearl St
Vc Jonas Dibble Junr Resigned
Benjamin F Hallock Grocer Water street
Vc Andrew T Carpenter Resigned

N° 21.

John Bingham—Umbrella Maker 38 Ann Street
V^c Benjamin F Cheesman Resigned
William A Baker Copper Smith 68 Ann S^t
V^c James Simpson—Resigned
[226] Thomas Smith Williams Accountant 167 Hester Street
V^c Jonathan Blake—Resigned

N° 28

Edmund Pendleton—Coach Painter—Houston Cor Elizabeth
V^c Corn^s M Hendrickson Resigned

N° 27

Seaman Lowerre—Merchant Cor Greenwich & Desbrosses S^t
V^c James Airis Time Expired

N° 30

Isaac E Baptist—Brewer Christie near Stanton S^t
V^c David Garret Resigned

N° 35

Theodore F Jackson *Getteman* [Gentleman] Harlem
V^c John Pymm left the City

N° 41

Zabira Quick—Mason 76 Norfolk S^t
V^c Gilbert W Lewis Resigned
Stephen Lane—Mason 76 Norfolk S^t
V^c Luff S Rhodes—Resigned

N° 46

William Harden Cartman 3^d Avenue
V^c William Nichol Resigned

Fire Hook & Ladder C^o

N° 3

John M^cLean Painter 104 Bedford S^t
V^c James D Van Horn Removed to Country
Daniel A Brower—Carpenter Perry near Greenwich S^t
V^c Abraham H Stevens Removed to Country

[227] N° 5

James A Campfield Tailor 420 Grand Street
V^c Isaac Marshall—Resigned

Fire Wardens Co 3d Ward

Jesse Foshay—Accountant No 70 Vesey St

Vc N. S Prentiss—Time expired

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No	1.	J Thorn	owner		Broadway	A Lot
	2.	H Brevoort	do		Do	Do
	3.	J. J. Astor	Do		Do	Do
	4.	L E Embree	Do		Madison St	Do
	5.	Pr A Jay	do		Center	Do
	6.	Hy C Southwick	Do		6 Avenue	Do
	7.	Alfred S Pell	Do		Do	Do
	8.	Wm W Gilbert	do		Tenth St	Do
	9.	Rt M Livingston	do		Wooster St	Do
	10	M Marx	do		Green St	Do
	11.	Hy Rutgers	do		Madison St	Do
	12.	A L Underhill	do		Christopher St	Do
	13.	A Stagg	do		Cannon	Do
	14.	Noah Tallcott	do		Mulberry	Do
	15.	T Gilbert	do		Do	Do
	16	Moses Leon	do		Do	Do
	17.	Js McMullen	do		Do	Do
	18.	Rt Mathison	do		Do	Do
	19.	[228] Asa Holden	do		Do	Do
	20.	G McGuire	do		Do	Do
	21.	M Taylor	Do		Do	Do
	22.	Cs Heyer	do		Do	Do
	23.	Mr *Phegan* [Fegan]	Do		Do	Do
	24.	Mrs Marx	do		Broadway	Do
	25	T P Bowne	Do		Do	Do
	26.	Mrs Thompson	Do		Do	Do
	27.	P Brasher	Do	No	66 Beekman St	A Privy
	28.	[Giles] Griswold	Lessee		98 do	Do
	29.	D Hoogland	Owner		181 Broome St	Do
	30.	C Nicholson	do		159 Cherry St	Do
	31.	J. B Murray	Do		Church St	Do
	32.	Wm O Connor	Do		80 Essex St	Do
	33.	J Myer	do		60 Forsyth St	Do
	34.	J Jenkins	do		185 Grand St	Do
	35.	Dl E Ebbets	do		143 Greenwich St	Do
	36.	Wm Wood	Do		343 do	Do
	37.	Mrs Vose	do		345 Do	Do
	38.	E Dixon	Do		23 Leonard	Do
	39.	Jno Beekman	Do		Madison St	Do
	40.	Js Shea	Do		94 Oliver St	Do

41.	G Coutant	Owner	96 Olive St	A Privy
42.	M *Landemore* [Delonguemare]	do	32 Orange	Do
43.	N Gouverneur	Do	67 do	Do
44.	C Cauldwell	Occupt	347 Pearl St	Do
45.	Ths Roberts	owner	6th Avenue	Do
46.	[229] J Zellers	do	15 Spruce Street	Do
47.	H Lane	do	33 Sullivan St	Do
48.	M Ovington	do	37 Vesey St	Do
49.	do	Do	39. Do	Do
50.	J Underwood	do	6 Vestry St	Do
51.	H Furman	do	263 Water St	Do
52.	W Hicks	do	536 do	Do
53.	Wm Edmonds	do	21 Watts do	Do
54.	J R Livingston	do	Lewis Street	A Lot

Geo Cuming City Inspector

Which were passed

The Superintendant of the Alms House Bridewell & Penitentiary presented the following Annual Report of the State of the same

Annual Report of the Superintendant of the Alms House, Bridewell & Penitentiary of the City of New York, shewing the number of Paupers which have been admitted into the Alms House from the 1st day of May 1827 (including those at that time in the home) to the 1st day of May 1828 and the number discharged from and that died in the house, designating their sex and places of birth the number of prisoners and Vagrants in the Bridewell and Penitentiary and the number of Patients and Maniacs in Bellevue Hospital also an account of Donations distributed to the out door poor by the Superintendant and Commissioners during the time aforesaid.

[230] Paupers in and admitted into the Alms House from the 1st day of May 1827 to the 1st day of May 1828.....	4,164
Paupers discharged 1886 Died 649 Total Discharged and Died.....	2,535
Number including (hospital) remaining in the House May 1st 1828.....	

Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total	City of N Y	State of N Y	U States	England	Scotland	Ireland	Germany	France	W Indies	Africa	Holland	Sweden	Russia	Total
494	572	376	187	1,629	678	116	166	118	37	433	32	10	10	9	8	7	5	1,629

Number of Prisone[r]s and Vagrants in Bridewell the 1st day of May 1828 Men 95 Women 40 Total	135
Number of Prisoners and Vagrants in the Penitentiary the 1st day of May 1828 Men 222 Women 98 Total	320
Number of Patients in Bellevue Hospital the 1st day of May 1828 Men [231] 104 Women 61 Total	165
Number of Maniacs in Do Do the 1st day of May 1828 Men 37 Women 45 Total	82
Cash distributed to the out door Poor during the last Twelve Months	$4,594.28
Wood laid in and distributed to same 2.121 Loads including Cartage &c	4.795.59
Potatoes laid in and distributed do 5,416 Bushels including Carting &c	1.087.41
	$10,477.28

New York, May 1st 1828

Arthur Burtis Superdt

Which was read and directed to be filed

[232] The following Resignations were received from persons appointed as Inspectors of Election and the following were appointed in their stead.

3d Ward

Benjamin Stevens Resigned Wm B Townsend appointed

9th Ward

Charles Oakley Resigned—John Rogers Appointed

On Motion the following Report of the Street Committee on subject of repaving Pearl street from Chatham to Elm streets which was laid on the Table on the 5th Instant was called up and read

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Pearl street from Chatham street to Cross street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion that part of Pearl street ought to be repaved and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Pearl street be repaved from Chatham street to Cross street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[233] Alderman Woodruff presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that Houston street be paved from Elizabeth to Crosby streets and that Mott street be paved from Houston to Bleecker street

Mr Shepherd presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the Street Committee enquire into the expediency of paving and regulating West and Duane streets from the Market to the River

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that a Warrant be passed in favor of the Chairman of the Finance Committee for the sum of Eight hundred and twenty dollars to reimburse him for the amount paid for sweeping Intersections of Streets

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Finance Committee (whenever it may be necessary) any sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars at an Interest not exceeding Six per Cent per Annum.

[234] Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Commissioner with power

Resolved that the proprietors of the Waters adjoining on and next to the Westerly side of the Coffe House Slip be directed to remove the Mud shoaling the Water at that place

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Cleaning streets

Resolved that some other regulation be made with regard to having the dirt removed from the Streets in the upper part of the City as it does appear that it is entirely out of the power of the present Superintendant to give the necessary attention to removing the same and also that the Garbage Carts be provided forthwith to collect that Article throughout the City.

The Comptroller presented the following Report of Cash Account

Balance as per Actt 5th Inst	$8.01
Recd for Tax of 1827	13.215.81
" Tavren Licences	12.000.
" Streets	8.363.29
" Rents	2.789.40
" Canal Street Market	1.425.
" " [235] Justices Courts	971.77

Rec[d] for Fines of Attorney	719.75
" " Wells & Pumps	262.
" " Fines of Dis[t] Attorney	173.45
" " Mayoralty fees	99.25
Loan of Mechanics Bank	8000.
	$48.027.73

58 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1 Dis[t]		1386.
Hibberd & Astin do 2[d] "		1386.
Stagg & Herring do 3[d] "		945.
G N Bleecker Comptroller	1 Qu[r] 15 May	450.
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs	" 14 "	300.
J Burger regulating 4 Public Clocks	" 1[st] "	50.
John C Morrison sund[r]ies for Fire Works 4 July 1826		57.25
J M Thomas & C Crane Sunday service 6 Ward 35 days		52.50
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Acct[s]		29.
H Meigs Justice 5. 8. 14 Wards 1 Q[r] 1 May		400.
J Campbell Clerk do	" "	187.50
Ja[s] Lozier " 7. 10. 13	" "	187.50
D Aaim Rent for Court 9. 11 Wards 6 M[o]	"	50.
H Maxwell Dis[t] Attorney	1 Q[r] 12 May	875.
R Hatfield Clerk Sessions	1 Q[r] "	500.
R Hatfield Clerk to pay Witnesses 1 Q[r]	"	33.50
John P Roome Crier of Court 1 Q[r] 3 May		50.
O M Lownds Sheriff for Dep[y] convey[g] Prisoners to Penitentiary &c 4 Mo 1 May		108.75
J Hopson Special Justice 1 Q[r] 12 May		400.
[236] J. W Wyman do	" "	400.00
A M Valentine do	" " balance	144.89
R Stephens Clerk Police	" "	312.50
Jacob Townsend Ass[t] Clerk to 12 May		190.68
Jo[s] L Hays for 8 Officers on 3[d] Avenue to Keep Peace 6 April		16.
A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 18 May		138.72
S Stillwell Rent of Ground for Engine N[o] 15 in Chrystie S[t] 1 Year 1 May		40.
Prior & Dunning Stationary for S[t] Com[r]		41.50
Sam[l] Baxter for taking care of Child vaccinated by Doc[r] Bancker		100.
J Towt & 31 Associates for Assessing Streets &c 6 Mo 1 May		2084.90
J Pinkerton Act[t] repav Greenwich S[t] fm Courtlandt to Canal S[t]		1400.
J Williams Bal reg La Fayette Place fm Great Jones to Art Street		676.80
J Fleming Attorney for C Mooney Act[t] cross walks 8 Ward		455.47
T Cumming Act[t] reg & pav Burton fm Bedford S[t] to Church Line		450.

H Spencer Act^{t} reg & pav 5 S^{t} fm 3^{d} to 1^{s} Avenue.....	350.	
S Fargay Act^{t} Cross walks 11 Ward.....	300.	
T Cummings Act^{t} reg & pav Hudson S^{t} fm Hammond to Bank S^{t}	250.	
S Fargay repav Madison S^{t} fm Pearl to Oliver S^{t} on Act^{t}.	200.	
T Cummings Act^{t} repav Christ^{r} fm Asylum S^{t} to Greenwich Lane	200.	
S Fargay Act^{t} Cross walks 2^{d} Ward.....	200.	
Sam^{l} Bayard award openg Troy S^{t} fm Greenw^{h} Lane to Greenwich S^{t}	193.90	
S Fargay Act^{t} Cross walks 1 Ward.....	115.60	
T Cumming Bal reg & pav Raisen S^{t} fm Herring to 5th S^{t}	103.80	
T Cumming Act^{t} reg & pav Greenwich S^{t} fm Hammond to Bank st	100.	
H Smith Act^{t} cross walks 6 Ward.....	100.	
J C Tucker repairs Culverts Canal & Chapel S^{ts}.....	23.41	
Geo Lovett Att^{y} for W^{m} Hockman 1st pay^{t} Pier Warren S^{t}	3350.	
[237] P McGlinn 1st pay^{t} Well 9th S^{t} near Bowery.....	39.42	
J McBarren bal Well Jane near Asylum S^{t}.....	31.25	
J McBarren " " Henry near Clinton S^{t}.....	31.	
J Gallagher Jun^{r} " " Downing near Bedford.....	26.61	
J Williams bal reg & pav Washington Square 9 Ward.....	213.93	
R Graves S^{t} Com^{r} for repairs Lands & Places.....	250.	
J P. Roome Super Repairs boring for Water at Market & Park	1933.	
J. P Roome do Fire Depart^{t}	1600.	
J. P Roome do Lamps	750.	
J. P. Roome do Pumps	540.	
A Burtis Super Alms House.....	5000.	
J Fleming Treas^{r} to pay Inst City Stock 1 Q^{r} 1 May.....	18.500.	47.860.38
	Balance	$167.35

The Board then adjourned to Monday next at 5 O Clock P M

[238] In Common Council May 26th 1828

Special Meeting

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Junr
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Effingham Schieffelin	Henry Storms
Abm M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	William James Macneven

The Board met agreeably to adjournment—The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Lawrence Murphy praying to be appointed a deputy Keeper of the Bridewell and Penitentiary was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House

[239] A Petition of Jacob J Cohen and others owners and Occupants of property in Cannon street praying that a Nuisance which has for many years and still exists in the Lots at the North East corner of Cannon & Delancy streets which remain open may be remedied was read and referred to the City Inspector

A Petition of Asahel Langworthy and others Inhabitants of the 12th Ward praying that Inspectors of Fire wood may be appointed for said Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Allen Frost and others for a Well and Pump in Sheriff street near North street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Memorial of sundry Fishermen and others against Steam Boats and other Vessels occupying Fulton Market Slip was read and referred to the Committee on Markets and on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Petition of William McComb to be appointed a Street paver in the first Ward in the place of his deceased Father John McComb was read and referred to the Street Commissioner

A Remonstrance of the Merchants Exchange [240] Company against opening a Street from Wall street to Exchange Place was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition for a Well and Pump in Crosby street between Broome and Spring street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Elam Gibbs to be appointed an Inspector of Lumber was read and referred to the Committee on Application for Office.

A Petition of Martin Okie to be appointed an Assistant Keeper in the Penitentiary or Bridewell was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House.

A Petition of Mary Davis for permission to erect a small shed on a Lot of ground belonging to the Corporation at the foot of Christopher street near Hay Scales for the purpose of selling Coffee and other refreshments for the support of herself and family was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance from a number of Inhabitants of the 8th and 9th Wards against [241] occupying the State Prison as a Penitentiary or Bridewell was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of John Ross to be appointed an Inspector of Lime in Casks was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of William Patterson praying for a decision on his case respecting the Award made to him in regulating Herring street was read and laid on the Table It was afterward called up on the reading the Report of the Finance Committee on his former Petition.

An Application from James Fairlie Clerk of the Supreme Court to be paid Costs due the Judge and Clerk of the said Court in the case of the People Vs Thomas Vermilyea Mathew L Davis and Jacob Baker was read and referred to the Finance Committee

The Committee on applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of John S Doane Stephen Ward and William S Bunce to be appointed Weigh masters presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of John S Doane Stephen Ward and William S Bunce to be appointed Weighmasters have made particular enquiry concerning the Character and ability of the Petitioners [242] to fill the Office they apply for and find them well recommended. they therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that John S Doane Stephen Ward & William S Bunce be and they are hereby appointed Weighmasters for the City and County of New York in the place of Jacob Blackwell William Onderdonk Junr & Allen Smith not returned

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and they were accordingly Appointed

The Street Commissioners presented the following Ordinance which was passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz

For building a Common Sewer in Stone Street between Broad and Whitehall streets and Joshua Hatfield Peter Pinckney and George C Hawthorn were appointed Assessors

The Counsel presented a Report stating the confirmation by the Supreme Court of the proceedings for extending and opening Green street and also for continuing La Fayette place which was read and referred to the Street Committee

[243] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Patterson who complains of an alteration by the Commissioners on improveing Herring street in the allowance of damage made to him presented the following Report

The Finance Committee Respectfully Report on the within Petition of William Patterson who complains of an alteration by the Commissioners on improving Herring street in the allowance of damage made to him and who wishes to purchase a gore of Land in front of his Lot on Herring street—The gore it appears cost the Corporation $451.$^{86}/_{100}$ which sum Mr Patterson will have to pay for the same The gore is small, but will give him a front of 30 feet on Herring street—It seems to be the opinion of all whom your Committee have consulted on the subject that Mr Pattersons allowance of $250 for damage done to him by opening the Street is too much in stead of too little—And that when he shall have purchased the gore at $451,$^{86}/_{100}$ and imp[r]oved his premises he will be greatly benefitted by the said opening of Herring street But beside this inasmuch as the Assessment is not under the control of the Board it is not proper for the Corporation to interfere in such cases, and the Board has accordingly refused to interfere on such applications for relief—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that Mr Patterson shall have the right to purchase said

Gore of Land at [244] the above price until the 15th day of June next he paying expences

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

Mr Recorder presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Mayor Recorder and Alderman of the City of New York for the time being constitute the Board of Health for the ensuing year and until others be appointed in their place by the Common Council

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee with powers

Resolved that the House situate in Henry street next door to the corner of Torbert street be forthwith removed it is considered to be in a very dangerous situation

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was referred to [245] the Market Committee

Resolved that an addition be built to the Greenwich Market of Thirty feet on the East side thereof

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips cause an L ell to be built on the South side of the Pier on the Westerly side of Duane Street Basin

Mr Bolster presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Police Committee

Resolved that it be referred to a Committee to enquire into the expediency of passing an Ordinance against bathing in the East River to the Southward of 28th Street

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the lower part of Duane street between Caroline and West streets be paved

Alderman Schieffelin presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Road Committee to Report on

Resolved that the Road Committee be authorised to contract for the permanent regulation [246] of such portions of the public Roads, as may require other materials than are to be found in their vicinity

Mr Sibell presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that Broadway and the Bowery be regulated from the present regulation to Twenty first street.

Alderman Ostrander presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of the Keeper of the City Hall for Six hundred dollars for the purpose of purchasing fuel for the City Hall and the different Watch Houses

On Motion of Mr Stevens the Amendments to the Sunday Law was called up and read in the words following.

A Law,

To amend a Law passed 30th April 1827 entitled "A Law for the due observance of the first day of the Week called Sunday

*I. Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened, That no grocer inn-Keeper or retailer of Spiritous liquors shall be entitled to receive a renewal of his License against whom a written [247] complaint shall have been lodged, with the Mayor at least one month previous to his application for such License, setting forth that said Individual had violated the law for the due observance of Sunday and that on two different Sundays he has had his shop open and actually sold liquor to a person or persons not travellers nor boarding in his house Provided further that said complaint is verified by the oaths of two respectable persons. That said ineligibility shall continue until said applicant cause said complaint to be tried in a Court of Law or to be dismissed: and that it shall be the duty of the Attorney of the Board, to bring to trial, all actions founded on such complaints and to report the issues thereof to the Mayor of the said City

*II. And be it further Ordained, That no inn Keeper, retailer of liquors, or grocer, after being twice convicted for violating either of the State Laws, or either of the Corporation Ordinances for the observance of Sunday shall be eligible to be licensed as a retailer of

* Marginal note reads *Agreed J. M.*—ED.

spiritous liquors or as an inn-Keeper, or grocer, for the next year ensuing such last conviction

* III. And be it further Ordained, That on no night of the week shall any Inn Keeper, retailer of spiritous liquors victualler, Keeper of an oyster stand or Cellar Keep open such Inn Room Shop Cellar or Eating Establishment between 12 O Clock at night and day break in the morning under the penalty of Twenty five dollars.

*IV. [248] And be it further Ordained, That it shall be the duty of each and every Inn Keeper and retailer of spiritous liquors and victualler or Keeper of a victualling house or oyster stand, and the persons employed by them and their agents to open their respective establishments, and every room or apartment thereof, and permit them to be freely entered by the Mayor and Aldermen and Assistant of the Common Council, the Special Justices, or any or either of them on their or his application for such purpose under the penalty of One hundred dollars.

*V. And be it further Ordained, That the license to be granted to Inn-Keepers or Tavern Keepers, and retailers of spiritous liquors, shall hereafter specify if for the whole or what part of the house or premises the license is to be extended. And further, That it shall not be lawful for any Inn-Keeper, Tavern Keeper or retailer of spiritous liquors to sell, deliver, or supply any liquor to be drank in any apartment or room under the same roof, or connected by any entry or passage with the premises designated in his license. And further, that no Inn-Keeper, or Tavren Keeper or retailer as aforesaid shall let or under let any room or part of his premises included in his said License while said License is in force without the written permission of the Commissioners of excise who granted the same or of their successors in Office

*The following was presented by Alderman Valentine

[249] And be it further ordained—That a clause shall be inserted in such license, that permission be given to retail spiritous liquors on each and every day of the week Sundays excepted

After some discussion the first and second Sections were agreed to—And the 3^{d} 4th and 5th Sections and the amendment proposed by Alderman Valentine were negatived.

The Law was then passed under the Title of " A Law to amend a " Law passed 30th April 1827 entitled " A Law for the due observ- " " ance of the first day of the week called Sunday "

* Marginal note reads *Negatived J. M.*—ED.

Alderman Peters agreeably to notice given at the last meeting of the Board moved that the Board now reconsider the vote given for the passage of the Law to establish City Prison and Penitentiaries in the City of New York. The Question being taken on M^r Peters motion it passed in the Negative, So the Board refused to reconsider the question.

The Board then adjourned to meet on Monday next at 5 OClock P M

[250] In Common Council June 2, 1828

Present The Honb^l William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Alderman	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Jun^r
William S Coe	James Lynch
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Effingham Schieffelin	Henry B Bolster
Ab^m M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	W^m Ja^s Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition from the Lyceum of Natural History and from the Historical Society recommending to the favorable attention of the Corporation the Petition of the Atheneum and City Library for an appropriation [251] of the Institution to Literary purposes were read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices

A Petition of Doctor Cornelius Roosa praying to have an Allowance of $104 for his services on Sundays for the last year as Assistant to the Board of Health was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Return was received from Nicholas Dean Esquire Clerk of the City & County of New York of the Election in the 2^d Ward for a Collector in the place of John Perrott designed

I Nicholas Dean Clerk of the City & County of New York do hereby Certify that at an Election held in the second Ward of the City & County of New York on the 27^th day of May 1828 and on the day following inclusive for the Office of Collector of said Ward

Brigham Howe having received the greatest number of Votes at the said Election was duly elected Collector of the said Ward

2 June 1828 N Dean Clerk City & County of N Y.

Which was read and directed to be filed and that the Clerk notify Brigham Howe of his Election

A Petition from the Yorkville School and also the Manhattan Ville Schools praying that a proportion of Public School Money may be apportioned to their Schools was read and referred to the Law Committee

[252] A Petition of the Inhabitants of the 12th Ward praying that the 10th Avenue may be regulated to its junction with the Bloomingdale Road was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Docr David Quackenbush stating that he understands the Convicts are to be removed from the Penitentiary and Bridewell to the State Prison he solicits the appointment of Physician to the same was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Gabriel Duryea stating that application has been made to occupy a stall in the Greenwich Market in which he now occupies a Stall, and praying that the person who applies if allowed to hold a Stall in said Market shall have assigned to him a Centre Stall was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John W Allaire & others praying that the side walks in Arden street between Bedford & Herring street may be paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Demarest to be appointed Assistant Keeper of the Penitentiary or City Prison was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House

[253] A Petition of S & J Webb for a Commutation of Rent on a Water Grant was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of the Inspectors of Lime and also from Gideon Tucker & others to have the Law respecting the Inspection of Lime altered so as to empower the Inspectors to Inspect both Quick and Slacked Lime was read and referred to the Law Committee.

A Remonstrance of Anthony Lynar against extending Canal street to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Benjamin C Burdett to be appointed a City Guager was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants to have Canal street extended to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Jonas Wood to be appointed an Inspector of Cask Lime was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Charles Depew to be appointed an Inspector of Cask lime was read and [254] referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Remonstrance of a number of Inhabitants against opening Canal street to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Henry R Shanklin stating that he has been prosecuted by the Attorney of the Board for an alledged violation of the Law respecting rapid driving through the streets, and apprehensive from the particular circumstances of the case of injustice being done him on a trial at Law; prays that he may have an opportunity of being heard by a Committee of the Board was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Mark Calderwood to be appointed an Inspector of Lime was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Henry Laverty and Garrit Storm and a number of other residents in the vicinity of the Park stating that the building denominated the Institution is in a delapidated state, and that the most conspicuous part of it is devoted to a use not entitled to public patronage and praying that the Atheneum and City Library may be permitted to occupy it on such terms as the Board should think proper was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices

[255] A Remonstrance of John Taylor and Sons and others against the extension of Cedar street was read and laid on the Table

A Remonstrance of the Ocean Insurance Company against opening Exchange Place through to Wall street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Henry J Wyckoff and others to have the barracks erected on Charles street removed in order to have said street opened and improved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Robert Troup and others recommending to the Board the favorable consideration of the Petition of Atheneum and City Library was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Henry Gahn and others owners of all the property fronting upon Hudson street between Bank and Horatio street praying that they may be allowed to contract for the pavement of said street under the regulations and direction of the Street Commissioner was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Nichols for permission to erect an Iron railing to his House [256] N° 387 Bro[o]me corner of Mulberry street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner with power

A Petition of Isaac Lawrence & others and also of Peter A Jay and others for the extension of Canal street to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of P. Osborne & C° and others to have the intersection of Peck Slip and South street repaired was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Samuel Lyon Constable of the 6th Ward to have certain sums paid for services rendered to the Corporation on Sundays and also for attending the Poll at the late Election was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of John Patten and Benjamin G Minturn for the approval and confirmation of Releases of Water Lots in the East River at the Southern end of Pier N° 27 made to them by William Agnew Samuel L Mitchell & Silvanus Miller was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of a number of persons [257] recommending to the Board the favorable consideration of the Petition of J Bardow for Weighers of Beef in the several Markets was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Joseph Wood and others owners and occupants of the Block extending from McDougal to Va[r]ick street praying that the Alley which formerly opened in the rear of Spring and Vandam street may be opened the same having been built upon and it being when opened a great convenience was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the Members of Fire Hose C° N° 1 for a new set of Hose and also a New Hose Cart was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of Henry Valentine for Stall N° 8 Grand street Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of John Lovett to be continued Sweeper of Centre Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Elias H Herrick to have the Hay scales removed from Gouverneur Slip to Stanton Slip was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[258] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Shaw to have a part of an Assessment paid returned to

him for opening Thompson street from Bleecker to Art street presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of William Shaw who prays to have the one half of a former Assessment returned to him, because part of Thompson street is now closed in forming the Washington Parade ground. It appears that the Petitioner paid an Assessment of $75 $^{5}/_{100}$ for opening Thompson street from Bleecker to Art street and that Thompson street has since been closed up from 4th to 6th Streets, it now forming a part of the Public square or Parade—The question presented by this petition is, whether the Commissioners for closing Thompson street were wrong in not allowing damages to Mr Shaw for their shutting up of part of Thompson street, over and above the benefit derived by him from the vicinity of his property to the Public Square. The Commissioners appear to have considered the damage and benefit to be equal in such cases; And your Committee have frequently Reported their opinion to the Board, that in such cases the public ought not to undertake to review such proceedings, or to correct any errors—The parties interested are bound to take notice of the proceedings, and to appeal to the Court, in case they have any objections, If [259] they have not done so, it is not proper for, this Board to interfere—And your Committee are not prepared to say that the Commissioners were wrong in their judgment in this matter—The following resolution is therefore respectfully submitted.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee and Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition for and Remonstrance against the lying of Steam Boats at Fulton Market Slip presented the following Report

The Market Committee and the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom the several Petitions &c hereunto annexed were referred

Respectfully Report

That there has been several Steam Boats for the last

Two years and upwards in the habit of coming into the Slip in front of the Fulton Market—Your Committee after examining the Situation of said Slip are of opinion that the Steam Boats Chancellor [260] Amazon Fanny and Linneus can be accommodated in said Slip without serious inconvenience to the other Market Boats coming into said Slip

They therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the above named Steam Boats be permitted to come into and occupy a part of Fulton Market Slip until the first day of May 1829

All which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman
Wm H Ireland
John Shepherd Junr
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

Mr Wyckoff then gave notice that he should call for a reconsideration of the subject at the next meeting of the Board.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition of the Screw Dock Company for permission to build and extend A Pier or Wharf in front of their premises into the East River between Market and Pike Slips presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips [261] respectfully Report on the annexed Petition of the "Screw Dock Company" for permission to build and extend a Pier or Wharf into the East River in front of their premises lying between the Market and Pike Slips, and that the same may be used exclusively for the accommodation of Steam Boats in the opinion of your Committee the request of the Petitioners for building such Pier is reasonable and ought to be granted on the usual terms and for the Common purposes for which Wharves are used and not exclusively for the purpose of accommodating Steam Boats and that it do not extend into the river more than Two hundred and fifty feet beyond the Southerly line of South street—Accordingly the following Resolution is submitted

Resolved that the "Screw Dock Company" be permitted to build a Wharf or Pier to be composed of Block and Bridges in front of their Water Lots and premises lying between Market and Pike Slips to

extend into the river from the Southerly line of South street a distance not exceeding Two hundred and fifty feet

John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman
William H Ireland
Isaac Brown
John Shepherd Junr

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was [262] referred the Petition for having Pump street repaved from the Bowery to Division street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for having Pump street repaved from the Bowery to Division street, and the side walks thereof flagged respectfully Report

Their opinion by the following Resolution

Resolved that Pump street be repaved from the Bowery to Ludlow street and the side walks thereof flagged

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for paving the side walks of Hammond street between Washington and Asylum streets presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition for paving the side walks of Hammond street between Washington and Assylum streets Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and [263] accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Hammond street from Washington street to Assylum street be paved

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the side walks of Governeur street from Division to Water street presented the following Report in favor.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the Side walks of Governeur street from Division street to Water street respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks of that Street ought to be paved and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of Governeur street be paved from Division to Water street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thos T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[264] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Side walks of Caroline street paved between Duane and Jay streets presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee respectfully

Report

On the annexed Petition to have the side walks of Caroline street paved between Duane and Jay streets that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Caroline street be flagged between Duane and Jay streets

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac Adriance and others to ceede certain streets in the 12th Ward presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of persons to have [265] the side walks of Suffolk street paved between Stanton and North street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition for having the side walks of Suffolk street paved between Stanton and North street Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Suffolk street be paved from Stanton street to North street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving that part of Duane street lying between the Duane Market and West Street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving that part of Duane street lying between the Duane Market and West street respectfully Report

That in their opinion that part of Duane street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the [266] following Resolution

Resolved that Duane street be paved between the Market and West Street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of the Trustees of the Associate Presbyterian Church in relation to the grounds of their Cemetry having become saturated with Water in consequence of filling up 11th & 12th Streets presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Memorial of the Trustees of the Associate Presbyterian Church stating that (as they suppose) in consequence of the filling of Eleventh and Twelfth streets and the Fifth Avenue, the grounds of their Cemetry have become saturated with Water, insomuch that they cannot dig a

grave to the proper depth without its being partly filled with Water respectfully Report

That in their opinion the evil complained of does not arise from the regulating of the adjoining Streets but solely from the unprecedented wetness of the season as other grounds in that vicinity [267] situated much higher and which cannot be influenced by any regulation of Streets are equally filled with Water and which on being opened produce the same effect, The following Resolution is accordingly submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to take further order on the annexed Memorial

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick M^c^Cafferty praying to be relieved from his contract for filling 3^d^ Street between the 1^st^ Avenue and Lewis street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Patrick M^c^Cafferty praying to be released from his contract for filling Third street between the First Avenue and Lewis street respectfully Report

That however your Committee may be averse to the Annulling of Contracts made with this Board, yet in the present case they are induced to grant relief to the Petitioner—It appears that your Memorialist is a poor yet an honest and industrious man, that he has made former Contracts [268] with this Corporation all of which he has faithfully executed. In this as in other instances his Father has been his surety and which has been deemed ample.

Your petitioner entered upon the execution of his present contract in good faith but owing to its magnitude and being disappointed in procuring the necessary means for continuing it to its completion he has applied to this Board for relief—Your Committee are informed and believe, that if he is compelled to complete his contract it will end in the total ruin of himself and of his aged Father—for the foregoing reasons your Committee are induced to *to* recommend to the Board the annulling of the contract for regulating Third street and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Contract made by this Board with Patrick McCafferty for filling and regulating Third street between the First Avenue and Lewis street be and the same is hereby annulled provided the said Patrick does not remove the Earth he has already deposited on that Street

Resolved that the Street Commissioner advertise for Estimates for the filling Third street from the 1st Avenue to Lewis street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[269] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Reade street repaved from Broadway to Washington street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Reade street repaved from Broadway to Washington street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the paving of that street is much required and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Reade street be repaved from Broadway to Washington street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Counsel relative to the Confirmation of the Supreme Court on opening Green street and La Fayette place presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully

Report

on the annexed Communication of the Counsel to this Board that the Supreme Court had confirmed [270] the opening of Green street and of Lafayette Place and that it remains for the Common Council to *to* determine at what time within fifteen months, the opening of those streets shall be carried into effect

That in their opinion the opening thereof should not be delayed Accordingly the following Resolutions are submitted

Resolved that the opening of Greene street from Fourth street to the Sailors Snug Harbor be forthwith carried into effect

Resolved that the opening of the Lafayette place to Eighth street be forthwith carried into effect.

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thos T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Street Commissioner relating to 79th Street presented a Report recommending the working of 79th Street which was read and referred to the Road Committee

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition praying for the prevention of Carriages standing in Nassau street presented [271] a Report and an Ordinance to correct the evil complained of which after some discussion was laid for further consideration and directed to be printed for the use of the Members

The Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in Crossby street between Broome and Spring streets presented the following Report in favor

The Alderman and Assistant of the Fourteenth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in Crosby street between Broome and Spring street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion a Well and Pump is much required at that place and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein in Crossby street between Broome street and Spring street

Thomas T Woodruff
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred sundry Petitions for the extension of the Market Limits and also the Remonstrances

against the same [272] presented a Report accompanied with a Law which was read and laid on the Table

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of M H Chase &c for a Butchers Licence presented the following Report in favor

The Market Committee on the Petitions of Mathew H Chase for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall N° 52 Washington Market now in the possession of Jacob Ridabock And of James H Houghtalin for a Butchers License and for permission to occupy Stall N° 6 Greenwich Market now in the possession of William Searle

Respectfully Report

That the Petitioners are well recommended and have received regular transfers of their respective Stalls the Committee therefore recommend that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
William Seaman

Which was approved and the Licenses directed to be granted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Resolution respecting an addition to the Greenwich Market presented the following Report in favor

The Market Committee on the annexed [273] Resolution directing the Committee to cause an addition to be built to the Greenwich Market

Respectfully Report

That the increasing population in the neighborhood of said Market makes it proper that some additional accommodation should be provided, the expense of the proposed improvement will not exceed One hundred and fifty dollars

Your Committee are therefore of opinion that the said Resolution ought to pass

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution referred to in the above Report was adopted and is in the words following

"Resolved that an addition be built to the Greenwich Market of Thirty feet on the East side thereof."

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the

Farmers relative to the weighing of Beef in the Markets presented the following Report against the same

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of the Farmers & Drovers who are in the habit of furnishing the New York Market with Cattle and other live stock Respectfully

Report

[274] That the Petitioners complain that the present method of weighing their beef when sold by the hundred to Butchers is productive of great uncertainty and in many instances of injustice, the Butchers having made it a custom to weigh only two quarters or one side of the Animal when Butchered, putting down the other side at the same weight without regard to the equal division of the Animal thereby rendering it impossible to make an accurate estimate of the Beef.

It appears to your Committee that the mode of weighing the Animal must be a matter of agreement between the buyer and Seller and that the Common Council, ought not, if they have the power, to interfere

The Petitioners pray that a weigher may be appointed in each of the Public Markets to superintend the weighing of the Beef, hide and Tallow of all the Cattle sold, and they also suggest the propriety of having three days in each week set apart for the sale of live stock brought to Market, so that they may not be kept so long on Board as to render them feverish and unhealthy and which they state would enable the farmers to make their calculations so as to present their stock in a much better condition than they can at present do.

The object of the Petitioners appears to be that a weigher shall be appointed, who when [275] Cattle are sold by the hundred weight, shall weigh the whole Animal, so that the seller may obtain payment for the Hide & Tallow as well as the beef; Your Committee however understand that it has been a long time the Custom of this City, that when Beef stock is sold by the hundred weight the Beef only is paid for the Hide & Tallow being thrown in, the seller receiving nothing for it this also must be a subject of agreement between the buyer & seller the Corporation can certainly have no power to interfere and direct in what manner they shall make their bargains.

It appears to your Committee that to have a public Weigher in each Market as prayed for by the Petitioners, who should weigh every quarter of Beef before it could be sold in the Market would occasion much embarrasment and delay, and some expense, and your Committee

can see no possible inconvenience to the seller to attend at the Slaughter House of the Butcher to see his Beef weighed, besides there is great danger, that disputes would frequently arise between the parties, if it should be brought to the Market to be weighed, as it does appear to your Committee that it would be difficult to Identify an Ox when cut up into quarters, and removed from the place where he was Killed

As to the suggestion of the Petitioners that three days should be set apart in each Market for the sale of live Stock, Your Committee are of [276] opinion that the Market will be better supplied by leaving the Farmer unrestricted as to the time in which he shall bring his Stock to Market.

They therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistants of the 5th & 8th Wards and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition respecting the Boring for Water in Canal street presented the following Report

The Aldermen and Assistants of the 5th & 8th Wards and Street Commissioner To whom was referred the annexed Petition advising the Common Council to procure Water by boring in Canal street Respectfully Report

That the Petitioners state that it will be impossible to sink a Curb for the construction of a Well in said Street beyond Eighteen feet without being embarassed by Marsh Water, but they are of opinion that a Shaft sunk by boring to the distance of Thirty feet would supply as good water as that now obtained in Lispenard street, as the [277] situation at which the Petitioners desire the experiment to be made is near the foot of the hill.

The Committee think it probable that as Canal street West of Broadway lies altogether on the Meadow, it would be difficult to obtain good water in the ordinary way, but as the Law authorising the sinking of Wells can only be continued in the opinion of the Committee to apply to the method in use at the time of passing the same, and not to one since adopted, occasioning extraordinary unusual

expences, it would not be in the power of the Common Council, should they direct water to be obtained by boring to collect the expense from the persons benefited, as in the case of sinking an ordinary Well.

Your Committee are sorry to be obliged to say, that the experiments, which have been made under the direction of the Common Council to obtain Water by boring have not been as successful as could have been wished, they are therefore of opinion that no further experiments ought to be made at the expense of the City—If however the owners of property on Canal street, should be desirous of making an experiment to obtain Water at their own expense the Committee are of opinion that they ought to be allowed to do so—They therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient [278] to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Anthony Lamb
John Shepherd Jun^{r}
Stuart F Randolph
John F Sibell
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for regulating and paving 5th Street from the 1st to the 3^{d} Avenue Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for a Well and Pump in Second street near Avenue C which was confirmed and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented the following Communication relative to appointment of Collectors for the Assessments on the opening of Green street and Lafayette Place

The Street Commissioner respectfully recommends the appointment of Nicholas C Everitt to Collect the Assessment for opening Green street from Fourth street to the Sailors Snug harbor—And Thomas Cottrell to collect the Assessment for [279] opening Lafayette place to Eighth street

Respectfully submitted

R Graves S^{t} Com^{r}

Whereupon Nicholas C Everitt was appointed on the Assessment for opening Greene street, and Thomas Cottrell on the Assessment for opening Lafayette Place

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For a Well and Pump in Crosby street between Broome and Spring streets and Joshua Hatfield Pine Hopkins and George C Hawthorn were appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Governeur street from Division street to Water Street and Thomas R Smith John Slidell and Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors

For paving Duane street from the Easterly side of Caroline street to West street and Abraham Dally David Lyon and Samuel Purdy were appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Caroline street and Abraham Dally David Lyons and Samuel Purdy were appointed Assessors.

[280] For paving side walks of Suffolk street from Stanton to North street and Peter Stagg James Fairlie and Isaac Kip appointed Assessors

For paving Side walks of Hammond street from Washington street to Assylum street and Abraham Bloodgood Peter Pinkney and Thomas Herring were appointed Assessors

For repaving Pump street from the Bowery to Ludlow street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine and Shivers Parker Appointed Assessors

For repaving Reade street from Broadway to Washington street and Abraham Le Foy John B Thorp and John Leonard appointed Assessors

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which was read and the resignations accepted and Appointments made

Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 2

Isaac Morrow—Turner N[o] 9 Pump Street

v[c] Charles A Whittingham Res[d]

Edward W Lyon Res[d]

N[o] 5.

George Collins Accountant James S[t]

v[c] Robert Thompson Jun[r] Time expired.

[281] N[o] 8

John L Mills—Slater 48 Chatham S[t]

v[c] Alexander Scott—Time expired

John Burns—Confectioner 136 Anthony S[t]
v[c] Francis Odell—Resigned
Samuel Neilson—Pianno Forte Maker Chambers S[t]
v[c] John S Jenkins Time Expired

N[o] 9

Robert Tyrell—Printer N[o] 9 Warren S[t]
v[c] Thomas Williams—Resigned

N[o] 16

William Connor Carver 38 Henry Street
v[c] James J M Valentine Resigned

N[o] 21

Frederick C Hanson Cooper 241 Grand Street
v[c] Henry A Simmons—Resigned
Cornelius Cadle—Accountant 13 Harrison S[t]
v[c] William Corry—Resigned
William Bradbury Printer 211 Water S[t]
v[c] William Low—Resigned

N[o] 22

Robert Boyd—Ship Carpenter 146 Ha[r]man S[t]
v[c] John Williams—Resigned.
Joseph Monk—Grocer 122 Lombard S[t]
v[c] John Van Horn—Time expired

N[o] 23.

John W Stryker—Pump Maker 40 Ves[e]y S[t]
v[c] Joseph Corre—Resigned
[282] Robert T Steele Merchant 215 Spring S[t]
v[c] Abraham Scott—Resigned
John Lent Resigned.

N[o] 29.

Francis Malley Cartman Washington S[t]
v[c] Edward Worden—Resigned

N[o] 34

John Foshay—Mason 20[th] Street near 8[th] Avenue
v[c] James J Springer—Resigned

N[o] 36

Joseph C Conklin—Carpenter N[o] 111 Sullivan S[t]
v[c] James Pitt Resigned

N° 41.

Joseph Parker—Cartman Clinton S[t]
v[c] William Parker Left the City

Fire Wardens C°

5[th] Ward

Sylvester P Denison Grocer 24 Jay S[t]
v[c] Randolph Lowerre Time expired

The Chief Engineer presented the following Report accompanied with his Annual Return of Fireman &c

To the Corporation of the City of New York

The Chief Engineer respectfully Reports that he has in Company with the Committee on the (Fire Department) carefully inspected the [283] various branches of the Fire Department and herewith presents his Annual Return with the names Residence and occupation of the Engineers Foremen Firemen and Fire Wardens also the places of Deposit of the Respective Machines, whereby it will appear that there are (including two at the new Alms House) Fifty Engines all of which are in good order, Five hook & Ladder Trucks with Twenty six Ladders and Twenty nine hooks, One Hose waggon Nine thousaid eight hundred and ninety nine feet of good hose Six hundred and sixty eight of Ordinary hose, making in the whole Ten thousand five hundred and sixty seven feet (exclusive of Six hundred feet at the new Alms House) Also Two hundred and eighty nine fire Buckets in good order

The whole number of men belonging to the Fire Department when the Companies are full including the Engineers and Fire Wardens is One thousand four hundred and thirteen

There has been built since the Last Annual Report three Engine[s] for Companies N° 25. 37 and 44.

Respectfully submitted

Jameson Cox
Chief Engineer

Whereupon the same was directed to [be] filed and printed

A Communication was received from the Chief Engineer relative to the buildings of Public [284] Cisterns &c which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the Correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No 1.	Wm B Crosby	Executor	Madison St	A Lot
2.	Jno Beekman	owner	Do	Do
3.	Ths Dougherty	do	Lombardy St	Do
4.	Pr Lorillard	do	Catha[r]ine Lane	Do
5.	Js Anderson	do	Cannon St	Do
6.	Jno F Delaplaine	do	Pitt street	Do
7.	Jno R Livingston	do	Do	Do
8.	Thos Addis Emmet	do	Arden St	Do
9.	Fs Kain	do	Sixth Avenue	Do
10.	Abm Hitchcock	Do	Do	Do
11.	Jno Merritt	Occupt	Broome St	Do
12.	A Hitchcock	owner	Sixth Avenue	Do
13.	Jno B Murray	Do	Fourth St	Do
14.	August Wynkoop	Do	Do	Do
15.	Jh Hammond	Do	Broadway	Do
16.	Dd Wagstaff	Do	Do	Do
17.	A Johnston	Do	Suffolk St	Do
18.	Rt Slator	Do	Clinton St	Do
19.	Wm R Thurston	Do	William St	Do
20.	J Townsend	Do	Bowery	Do
21.	M Lewis	do	Delancy St	Do
22.	[285] J Stephens	do	Warren St	Do
23.	Wm Baley	do	Chapel St	Do
24.	Tho Brady	Guardian	Warren St	Do
25.	M Norwood	owner	Bleecker St	Do
26.	K Taylor	do	Do	Do
27.	A Zabriskie	Do	Do	Do
28.	M Lewis	Do	Laurens St	Do
29.	F Price	Do	177 Delancy St	A Privy
30.	Cs Ray	Do	274 Pearl St	Do

Geo Cuming
City Inspector

Which were passed

The Report of the Street Committee on the Petition for extending Cedar street from William to Pearl street which on the 19th May last was presented and laid for further consideration was called up and after some discussion was further postponed and made the order of the day at the next meeting of the Board

Alderman Schieffelin presented the following Resolution

"Resolved that a Special Committee be appointed to make suitable arrangements for celebrating the ensuing Anniversary of American Independance"

[286] Which was adopted and the President appointed on that Com-

mittee Alderman Schieffelin, Ireland, Coe, Mr Wyckoff, [Sibell] *on that Committee.*

Alderman Ireland then moved that the expenditure be limited to the sum of $2000,

After considerable discussion the question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative—Motions were then made to limit it severally to the sums of $1500, $1000, & $500 which were severally lost

Alderman Ireland and Mr Sibell then requested to be excused serving on the Committee and the questions being taken thereon they were carried in the Affirmative and the President appointed in their place Alderman Lamb and Mr Stevens

The Committee were Alderman Schieffelin Coe Mr Wyckoff Ald Lamb Mr Stevens

Mr Macneven presented the following Resolution which was laid on the Table.

Whereas in the Act lately proposed for altering the Organization of the Common Council certain parts were universally approved while a dislike to others caused the rejection of the whole Therefore

Resolved that it be referred to a Special Committee to Report to this Board on the most [287] practicable mode of so dividing the Common Council into two Chambers, that the improvements which are desired by the people may be secured, without the exceptionable enactments which an experience of the sentiments of our Constituents has taught us to avoid

Mr Stevens presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Whereas during the Month of May last divers fires have occurred in the City of New York by reason whereof a great amount of property has been destroyed; and there being much reason to believe that the same has been occasioned by the acts of divers wicked and evil minded persons therefore

Resolved that the Mayor issue his proclamation offering a Reward of $250 for such information as will lead to the detection and conviction of any one Culprit And $250 for each and every such culprit so discovered and convicted.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Act 19 May	$167.35
Recd for Streets	12.254.80
" " Tavren Licences	8.000.
" " Rents	7.428.11
" " Police Office	843.34
" " Fines of Sheriff	362.

Recd for Wells & Pumps	$224.50
" " [288] Mayoralty fees	90.
	$29.372.10

79 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1s Dist	1426.25
Hibberd & Astin do 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring do 3d "	945.
T. J Waters Clerk Compts office 1 Qr 24 May	250.
Geo Cuming City Inspector 1 Qr 1 June	200.
Astin & Higbie Asst Keepers City Hall 1 Mo 1 Inst	77.50
O Ayres Asst City Inspector " "	60.75
J Coffin do " "	60.75
J. J Shoemaker St Inspector 1st Ward " "	46.50
T Woolcocks " 2d " " "	46.50
J B Ebbetts " 3d " " "	46.50
N B Lyon " 4th " " "	46.50
I A Isaacs " 5th " " "	46.50
S Waddell " 6th " " "	46.50
B Fuller " 7th " " "	46.50
W G Babb " 8th " " "	46.50
H Mott " 9th " " "	46.50
T Austin " 10th " " "	46.50
J Woodruff " 11th " " "	46.50
D Hubbard " 13th " " "	46.50
B OConner " 14th " 2 Mo "	91.50
C Gilman Keeper of Battery 1 Mo "	38.75
A McCready Keeper of Park " "	38.75
J Leonard furnishing List Passengers 6 Mo 1 May	50.
[289] J Hays for Officers Sundays at 1st Avenue & ruins Bowery Theatre 27 May	41.
J W Somerndyke & Saml Lyon Sunday service 6 Ward 21 days each to 1 June	63.
S Fleet Sundays 14 Ward 13 days to 1 June	19.50
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health 1 Month 1 June	54.
C Roosa do 25 days to 29 May	50.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removing Nuisances 1 Mo 1 June	36.19
J Gilbert Clerk 3 Markets 1 Month 1 June	65.
C Duryea " Fulton Market " "	41.67
I Asten sweeper do " "	46.19
R Smith Clerk Franklin Market 1 " "	38.75
J Seaman Clerk Manhattan do " "	31.
Joshua Mersereau Claim for Imprisonment & Expence N Jersey	136.84
J Fleming Treasr paid Witnesses ordered by Court	8.
J Hays for Officers extra service Police 1 Qr 26 May	356.91
J. Hays for Officers Conveying Prisoners to City Prison 1 Qr 1 May	253.

John Constantine for Furniture Police Office	35.45	
Wm M Shepherd Rent of Court 5. 8. 14 Wards 1 Qr 1 May	31.25	
Abm Leggett Superdt Mud Scow 2 weeks to 1 June	170.76	
J Macey & Son 38 Casks Oil	747.64	
Saml Judd 13 Casks Oil	653.77	
G Snethen Lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 June	1321.63	
R Provoost repairing Lamps " "	296.88	
Oliver Hibberd extra duty 68 Watchmen at Fire in Bowery	59.50	
S Fargay Actt pav 4th St fm Broadway to Bowery	800.	
J Pinkerton Actt repav Greenwich fm Courtlandt to Canal St	750.	
S Fargay Actt repav Madison fm Oliver to Pearl St	500.	
S Fargay Acctt Cross walks 11th Ward	500.	
[290] H Spencer Actt reg & pav 5th St fm 1st to 3d Avenue	450.	
S Fargay Actt repav Maiden Lane & other streets	260.	
R Pettigrew Actt repav Warren St fm Broadway to Green St	250.	
T Cumming Actt reg & pav Hammond fm Asylum to Greenwich Lane	200.	
T Cummings Actt reg & pav Christper fm do to Do	130.	
A Dally & Associates Assessg for repav Cortlandt St fm Broadway to Greenwich St	90.	
P Smith bal repav Frankfort fm William to Rose St	4.32	
P Smith repav Intersections 8. 14 Wards	115.65	
R Graves St Comr for repairs Lands & Places	250.	
Wm McKean Actt fence at Washington Square 9th Ward	700.	
J McBarren bal Well 4th Street near Bowery	45.	
Owen Smith filling Lot on Ludlow St Lein Benjn Winthrop	25.	
Wm Seaman Chairn Finance Comte Amt pd for sweeping Intersections Sts	820.	
A Burtis Super Alms House	5000.	
H J Wyckoff for Inspectors & Clerks of Election 1 Ward	39.	
J Seymour Do " " 2d	39.	
C L Livingston " " 3	39.	
D Bryson " " 4	39.	
D Banks " " 5	39.	
S Parkes " " 6	39.	
S Cox " " 7	39.	
J Morss " " 8	39.	
T Miller " " 9	39.	
N Schureman " " 10	39.	
J. D Brown " " 12	39.	
J Aims " " 14	39.	
James Fairlie Court fees in Criminal Cases ordered by F[inance] Comt	25.31	
[291] Abm M Martling Keeper City Hall to buy Fuel	600.	21.282.86
	Balance	$8089.24

Board adjourned to this day 2 Weeks at 5 OClock. P M

[292] In Common Council Special Meeting June 12. 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Jacob Wyckoff
William W Mott	Isaac Brown
William H Ireland	John Shepherd Junr
Anthony Lamb	William Seaman
William S Coe	John F Sibell
Stuart F Randolph	Isaac Amerman
John R Peters	Bernard J Meserole
Gideon Ostrander	Henry B Bolster
Lemuel Pittman	Henry Storms
Abm M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	Wm James Macneven

His Honor the Mayor stated that this meeting had been called at the request of some of the Members.

Mr Brown presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Committee on the Fire Department be authorized to purchase a [293] Lot of ground fronting on Hester street between Eldridge and Allen street and likewise to cause Two Engine Houses to [be] built for No 32 & 22

Mr Re[c]order presented the following which was adopted

The Common Council having received information that the Honorable James Monroe late President of the United States has arrived in this City

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to wait upon Mr Monroe to assure him of the high sense which the Common Council entertain of his private and public Virtues, to express to him the great pleasure they receive by his visit to the City to witness in person its prosperity and improvement and to tender to him such hospitalities as may be acceptable, and may add to the pleasure of his residence while among us

Whereupon his Honor the Mayor appointed on that Committee Mr Recorder, Wyckoff, Seaman Ald Lamb and Randolph.

Mr Palmer presented a Resolution extending the time for removing the Public School House No 2 in Henry street to the 26th July next which was agreed to.

[294] Mr Wyckoff presented the following.

Whereas the Corporation has taken possession of the State Prison and it is considered that it is expedient to visit the Sing Sing State Prison

Therefore Resolved that the Common Council proceed to Sing Sing on Wednesday next and that a Committee of Five be appointed to make suitable arrangements with authority to invite his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor the Senate and such others as they may deem proper

The Question being taken on agreeing to the same and a division having been called by Alderman Ireland the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Al^{d} Mott Coe Randolph Peters Ostrander Pittman Valentine M^{r} Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Seaman Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms Macneven 17

In the Negative Al^{d} Smith Ireland Lamb M^{r} Palmer 4

[295] So it was carried in the Affirmative—The President then appointed the following Committee—M^{r} Wyckoff Sibell Al^{d} Pittman M^{r} Brown M^{r} Meserole

Alderman Lamb then presented a Resolution restricting the expenditure to Three hundred dollars—Motions were then made for restricting the amount of Expenditure to the sums of $400, $500. & $1000. The President put the Question on $1000, and the same passed in the Negative—A Motion was then made that the Board now adjourn—The Question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative and the Board adjourned.

[296] In the Common Council June 16th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Jun^{r}
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Effingham Schieffelin	Henry Storms
Ab^{m} M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	William Ja^{s} Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meetings were read and approved.

A Petition of Richard Ward inventor of a New Torpedo Shot praying for the sum of $50 from the Common Council for the purpose of trying an experiment of the same was read and referred [297] to the Finance Committee

A Petition of sundry Inhabitants in the Neighborhood of the Battery praying that the Military may be prohibited from parading on the Battery hereafter was read and referred to the Committee on Lands and Places

A Petition of John Sidell first Marshall for leave to assign the Booths the ensuing 4th of July around the Park which was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places with power.

A Petition of John Davenport and others Butchers in the upper part of the Bowery for permission to remain there under such regulations as the Common Council may prescribe was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Hutchings to be appointed Keeper of the Washington Parade Ground was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Communication from the Trustees of the Fire Department relative to the violation of the Fire Laws on a building lately erected in the 6th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

[298] A Remonstrance of Charles Wilkes and others against opening Exchange street to Wall street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Henry Marvin and others owners of property in the vicinity of Front street to have the same regulated and repaved between Moore street and White Hall street and that the same may be thereafter Kept in repair by the Corporation was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Gilbert Fowler and others stating that the Inhabitants in the vicinity of the Corner of Mott and Spring Street have been considerably incommoded on Account of the Scarcity of Water and the Pump on said Corner being wholly unfit for use and praying that a new well may be sunk near said place was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Remonstrance of Samuel Akerly & others against paving Water street from Market Slip to Rutgers Slip was read and referred to the Street Committee with power.

A Petition of the American Academy of Fine Arts recommending

the Petition of the Atheneum and City Library Society for accommodations in the [299] Institution provided that they embellish the exterior of the Buildings was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against removing the Hay scales from Governeur Slip to the foot of Stanton street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Abraham Egbert to be appointed a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Petition of James Valentine for a Butchers License and a Grant of Stall N° 11 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against repaving James street between Madison street and Chatham Square was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of a number of persons against the p[r]actice of persons carrying on the business of Victuallers in the Catharine Market without having any permission therefor was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[300] A Remonstrance of Peter Erben against altering the present regulation of Avenue D was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Daniel Johnsston to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of William Chitty to have the money paid by him for Tavren Licences for the Store at the corner of Bayard and Elizabeth Street returned to him he having been burnt out in consequence of the late Fire in the Bowery was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of the Hay Cartmen praying to have the rates of Cartage fixed the same as they were in the [year] 1821 was read and referred to the Committ[ee] on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Representation of the Estimate of Expense &c for the opening of Cedar street by former Petitioners for opening the same was read and laid on the Table.

A Petition of William Shaw for the Office of Keeper of the Washington Parade Ground was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

[301] A Petition of a number of persons for a Well and Pump at the corner of Hudson and King streets was read and referred to the Aldermen and Assistant of the 8th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of a number of persons to have Canal street extended from Centre street to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Edmund Simpson for permission to erect a Portico in front of the Park Theatre was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 2d Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against the extension of Canal street from Centre street to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the Trustees of the Hamilton Free School and also of Harlaem Free School praying for a proportion of the School Money was read and referred to the Law Committee

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants for a Well and Pump near the intersection of Washington and Desbrosses streets was read and referred to the Aldeman and Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner

[302] A Petition of the Trustees of the Northern Dispensary of the City of New York requesting that the proceeds of the Rents for the Booths to be erected on the 4th of July next around the Park may be appropriated to the Dispensary was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of the owners and Occupants of Property in LeRoy street to have the same paved between Hudson and Washington street at their own expense and under the direction of the Street Commissioner was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of David Clark to be appointed to the Office of Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of James Smith Agent for Andrew Smith for extension of time to pay Assessments due from said Andrew Smith for the imp[r]ovement of the 6th Avenue and 12th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of James Patten to have a grant made to Samuel Thompson for a Lot of ground in the Ni[n]th ward which was heretofore directed to be made to him was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[303] A Memorial of the Owners of Real estate on Stuyvesants Meadow to have the Streets regulated and filled in so as to carry the Water over the surface to Mangin street only without altering the exterior line was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the upper end of the Bowery to

have a Market located in that vicinity was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of the New York City Dispensary for the Annual allowance to them of $600 on Account of the Vaccine operations of the Institution was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition to have the Side walks of Jay street from Washington to West street and also certain side walks in West and Duane streets paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against opening Canal street from Centre street to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Asa W Wesson & John Davenport for grant of Stalls in the Spring street Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

[304] A Petition of David Perrin for leave to transfer Stall N° 7. Grand street Market to John Varick was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Return was recieved from the Board of Canvassers of Election respecting alteration of Organization of Common Council which was as follows

At a meeting of the Board of Canvassers duly organized and held in and for the City and County of New York at the Clerks Office in the City Hall of the said City on the third day of June in the year One thousand eight hundred and twenty eight pursuant to Article 1st of Title 5th of the Revised Statutes concerning Elections other than Militia and Town Officers—Shivers Parker was chosen Chairman and Nicholas Dean being Clerk of the said City and County was ex-officio Secratary of the said Board

The following Persons appeared and constituted the said Board they being Inspectors of Election of the several Wards in the said City and County and having been respectively appointed by a Major part of the Inspectors of Election of their respective Wards to preside at an Election held therein on the twenty sixth day of May 1828 and the two succeeding days inclusive in pursuance of the Act entitled "An Act to alter the organization of the Common Council of the City of New York passed April 18th 1828 that is to say James I Roosevelt Junr of the first Ward [305] Jonathan Seymour of the second Ward, Charles L Livingston of the Third Ward, David Bryson of the Fourth Ward, David Banks of the Fifth Ward, Shivers Parker of the Sixth Ward, Jameson Cox of the Seventh Ward William W Cowan of the Eighth ward Thomas Miller of the Ninth Ward, Nicholas Schureman

of the tenth Ward Peter Pinckney of the Eleventh Ward, James H Kip of the Twelfth ward Jeremiah Lounsbury of the Thirteenth Ward and Jacob Aims of the Fourteenth Ward

The Board then proceeded to calculate and ascertain the whole number of Votes given at such election in the said County for the purpose aforesaid, and thereupon the said Board do according to the Act aforesaid set down in Writing the number of Votes so given as aforesaid at such Election in words written at full length for the said purpose that is to say Three thousand seven hundred and fifty three Votes were given upon each of which was written or printed the word "Yes" and Five thousand four hundred and twenty seven Votes were given upon each of which was written or printed the word "No"

We the Chairman and Secratary of the said Board do hereby Certify the preceding to be a true Canvass of the Votes given in the said County at the Election aforesaid for the purpose aforesaid

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this 3d day of June in the year One thousand eight hundred and twenty eight

N Dean Secy Shivers Parker C[h]airn

Which was read and directed to be filed.

[306] The Mayor laid before the Board a Letter he had recieved from Captain James Page of Philadelphia Commander of a Voluntary Company of Infantry called State Fencibles stating that said Company intended if it met with the approbation of the Common Council to visit this City the approaching Anniversary to unite with the Military in the celebration of that day which was read and referred to the Committee of Arrangements for the 4th of July.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Patten and William H Minturn for the confirmation of Releases presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of John Patten and William H Minturn; It appears that in 1823 the Corporation made a grant to John & William Agnew, S L Mitchell & S Miller under which they have constructed what is common[ly] known as Pier 27 or Elephant wharf on the East river; but it seems that the said persons were not entitled to the whole of such grant or right, and that John Patten and William H Minturn were entitled to certain proportions thereof And that the said Patten & Minturn have accordingly obtained from the other parties proper Releases of their proportions of [307] such Wharf & Wharfage, which releases bear date the 29th May 1828—The petitioners accordingly wish this Board to sanc-

tion what the parties have thus done to correct the error that was made in the grant from the Corporation—Your Committee having considered this matter, see no objection to granting the prayer of the Petitioners; and are of the opinion that the Corporation ought to do on their part what is necessary to be done in order to sanction the correction of the mistake that originally occurred in this matter—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted.

Resolved that this Board do approve and confirm the said Releases so made to the said John Patten and William H Minturn whereby they desire a title to a proportion or proportions of the wharfage of said wharf or Pier upon the terms and conditions contained in such original grant.

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Cornelius Roosa to be paid $104 for Sunday services as Assistant of the Board of Health presented the following Report against the same

[308] The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the Petition of Cornelius Roosa who wishes to be paid $104, being at the [rate] of $2, per day for Sunday services as Assistant of the Board of Health during one year viz from May 1827 to May 1828. By the Ordinance under which the Petitioner was appointed, he was only entitled to $2, per day exclusive of sundays and therefore no further compensation ought to be made. But if Dr Roosa was to be paid for Sunday services, the other Assistants would likewise be entitled to simular pay and thus the provision of the Law as to compensation would be entirely nugatory—Under these circumstances your Committee offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees of the City Dispensary for a conveyance of the Lot of ground at the corner of White & Collect Street presented the following Report

[309] The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the petition of the Trustees of the New York Dispensary, that it appears that the State, upon the petition of this Board, has released its right to a Lot at the corner of White and Collect streets, being a part of the Arsenal grounds—It further appears that the Corporation made this application to the State, upon the ground that said Lot was intended to be for the City Dispensary, and to be applied to its benevolent objects. After repeated applications to the Legislature, the release of this Lot has at length been obtained; And the Trustees of the Dispensary now wish the Lot to be conveyed to them, in order that [they] may proceed with improvements upon the same as they have always intended—Your Committee see no reason against granting the prayer of the Petitioners and therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a Release to the said Dispensary of the said Lot of ground, upon condition that the buildings and erections on said Lot shall be removed at the expense of said Dispensary, and erected on such place upon the adjoining ground of the State, as the Commissary General shall direct—And that the said Deed be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board. The Dispensary to pay all expences

All which is respectfully submitted

[310] W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
William H Irelaud

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob Drake for the purchase of a Gore of land on Roosevelt street presented the following Report in favor.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Jacob Drake for the purchase of a Gore of land—It seems that the Corporation own a strip of land running from Roosevelt to Chesnut street between Banker & Oak streets, being three feet wide—Sixty feet of this strip adjoins Jacob Drakes lot, and Fifty three feet six inches adjoins Joseph Drakes Lot—The Street Commissioner has

valued the Gore to Jacob Drake at $120, and the Gore to Joseph Drake at $103 $^{2}/_{100}$—As the regulation of that part of the City no longer requires this piece of ground for a drain, your Committee think that the same ought to be sold, and they accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel prepare Deeds to the said Jacob Drake and Joseph Drake upon the above terms, the same to be authenticated [311] in the usual manner during the recess of the Board, They to pay expences

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Mary Spingler who claims compensation for a Gore of land taken on opening the 5th Avenue presented the following Report against the Petition.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Mrs Mary Spingler, who claims compensation for a small gore of land taken by the Commissioners on opening the 5th Avenue

The Gore lies at the corner of 13th Street & said Avenue. The same was regularly and legally taken, It seems that Mrs Spingler sold the Lots at the Corner of said Avenue & Street to David Dunham bounded upon said Avenue & Street, but did not as she alleges sell the gore to him running into said Avenue.

Whereas the Commissioners treated the Gore as belonging to Dunham & as part of the adjoining Lots, and assessed his Lots $37, of benefit over & above the damage to him by reason of his relinquishing [312] said Gore. To this Report Mrs Spingler not having objected her rights are concluded, alth'o under the Statute she may have recourse against Mr Dunhams estate *is* [if] he has received money properly belonging to her. But as Mr Dunham was Bounded by said Avenue and street he became entitled to the use thereof; and even if the Commissioners had known of Mrs Spinglers right, it could not have been valued but at a very trifling sum being burthened with and subject to the right of way of Mr Dunham—At all events this Assessment having been made according to Law, the Corporation ought not to

interfere; and the following Resolution is therefore respectfully proposed.

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Houston street between Crosby and Elizabeth street and Mott street from Houston to Bleecker street presented the following Report in favor

[313] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Houstoun street between Crosby and Elizabeth street and of Mott street from Houstoun street to Bleecker respectfully Report, that in their opinion those parts of Houstoun and Mott streets ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that Houstoun street be paved from Crosby street to Elizabeth street

Resolved that Mott street be paved from Houstoun street to Bleecker street

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph Wood & others praying that an Alley through the block between Spring and Van Dam streets may be opened presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Wood and others praying that an alley of 14 feet in width extending through the Block between Spring and Vandam streets (excepting one Lot fronting on Varick street) and that the exit of the water into Varick street is obstructed by a building and which the Petitioners ask this Board to cause to [314] be removed and the Alley way opened throughout on all which your Committee Report

That in their opinion it would be improper for this Corporation to take measures to open any Street of a less width than that designated

by the Ordinance of the Common Council viz[t] Thirty feet and as the Petitioners are not desirous of having the Alley widened your Committee deem it inexpedient to interfere with or to open the Alley into Varick street but inasmuch as that the waters are accumulated by the aforementioned obstruction and large quantities of filth highly offensive to the neighborhood are deposited therein and the descent is from M[c]Dougal street, there appears to be an insurmountable difficulty in the way of draining the Alley, as it is at present circumstanced, in such way as to prevent a recurrence of the present evil—Your Committee would recommend that the persons interested in the property be directed by the City Inspector to cause the aforesaid Alley to be cleansed and that they adopt such measures as shall prevent its becoming a nuisance

They accordingly submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that it is inexpedient for the Common Council to adopt measures for opening and Continuing an Alley from M[c]Dougal street to Varick street of 14 feet in width

Resolved that it be referred to the City Inspector with instructions to cause the aforesaid [315] Alley to be cleansed without delay

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Cox

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Road Committee to whom was referred the subject of working *working* the 8[th] Avenue presented the following Report

The Committee to whom was referred the annexed Resolution Report That pursuant to the directions of your Committee the convicts from the Penitentiary are now employed in working the Eighth Avenue—It will be understood however that a number will still be continued in repairing the third Avenue as long as they may be required thereon—On the Eighth Avenue the convicts may be usefully employed in working the same for about one mile and a half further in extent when all the serious obstacles will have been surmounted—It is necessary however that the Common Council should make an appropriation for that object and your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the sum of Seven hundred dollars be appropriated to working the 8[th] Avenue by the convicts and that Warrants pass

for [316] the same in favor of the Street Commissioner as the same may be required for disbursments by him

E Schieffelin
Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Communication from the Chief Engineer on the subject of building Public Cisterns presented a Report which was read laid on the table and directed to be printed together with the Communication from the Chief Engineer for the use of the Members

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the subject of purchasing a Lot or piece of ground for Engine House N° 22 & 32 presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred a Resolution of the 12th Inst authorising them to purchase a Lot or piece of ground for Engine House Nos 22 and 32. Report

That they have purchased a Lot fronting on Hester street between Eldridge and Allen streets being 22 feet front and rear by 50 feet in depth for the sum of $1000, and as it is important for the accommodation of the Vestry of St Stephens Church that Engine House [317] N° 32 should be removed so that they may complete their Fence— Your Committee have requested the Comptroller to report a Warrant this evening in favor of Samuel Oakley to be paid him so soon as the Counsel shall be satisfied with the title of said ground

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
William H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and directed to be filed

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Ottiwell Morris Crane & Eleazer Hull for the appointment of Assistant Captain 2d District Watch presented the following Report

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the petitions of John Ottiwell Morris Crane Eleazer Hall to be appointed Assistant Captain 2d District Watch

Report

That they have taken the same into consideration and beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that John Ottiwell be appointed Assistant Captain [318] 2d District Watch in place of George Reynolds decd

Abm M Valentine
John Shepherd Jur
W Seaman

Which was approved and John Ottiwell was accordingly appointed Assistant Captain of the 2d District City Watch.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petitions for and against the removal of Tunis Kuypers as Wood Inspector presented the following Report in favor of him.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petitions for and against Tunis A Kuypers being continued Inspector of Fire wood respectfully Report

That they have had two lengthy and Patient examinations of this Case, and that several of the Complainants testified that said Kuypers was an incompetant contentious and unsuitable man for Inspector of Wood, it appeared that in several instances the Complainants and others have been concerned in disputes with said Kuypers—On the other hand it appeared by a great preponderance of Witnesses and by Certificates of many respectable Citizens that Kuypers is capable and a suitable man for the Office he [319] holds—Conformable to the opinion of your Committee they recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to remove Tunis A Ku[y]pers from the office of Inspector of fire wood

John R Peters
Wm H Ireland
John Shepherd Jur
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of B Osborn & others to have the Pier & Dock at Peck Slip repaired presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips Respectfully Report upon the subjoined Petition of Barney Osborn & others to have the Pier & Dock at the easterly intersection of Peck Slip repaired

That your Committee have duly considered the subject and have consulted the Counsel and the Street Commissioner and by advice are of opinion that said repairs are necessary and ought to be done at the expence of the Assignees of the Water Grant to Jasper Ward

under the direction of the Street Commissioner and the Inspection of the Superintendant of Wharves and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner [320] be directed to Report an Ordinance conformable to the above Report

John R Peters
Wm H Ireland
John Shepherd Junr
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the subject of altering the Wood Inspection districts presented a Report which was read, Laid on the Table.

Alderman Valentine gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the Board call upon the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to Report on the Petition referred to them for constructing a Pier at the foot of Broome street He afterward presented a Resolution on the subject which see Page 334.

The Report of the Street Committee on the Petition against permitting Stages & Carriages to stand in Nassau street was called up together with the Ordinance accompanying the same and read as follows

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Thomas Wintringham and [321] others praying for the removal of the Carriages or Coaches from Nassau near Pine street and the Remonstrance of Asa Hall and others against requiring Licences in such cases—Your Committee are fully aware that a greater number of Carriages used for Stages or Hacks within this City now stand in the vicinity of the corners of Nassau and Pine streets, than ought to be allowed; but the Laws, as they now exist, do not perhaps afford a sufficient remedy; at least, it is doubted whether the existing by-laws relating to hackney coaches and carriages, apply to such coaches or carriages which run regularly from place to place in this City. Your Committee have no doubt that all such Hackney Coaches and Carriages, running from place to place in the City whether at fixed rates or otherwise, ought to be licensed and regulated in the same manner as other hackney coaches or carriages, in order that they may be subject to such rules as the proper authorities may find it necessary and expedient to adopt. If the standing of Ordinary hacks at other places than those presented by the Board has been found necessary to be prohibited, it is manifest that a large description of coaches or

Carriages ought not to be permitted to stand in front of private dwellings without limit as to their number, and without regulation as to the conduct of their owners or drivers.

Your Committee are satisfied that this description of Hackney Coaches or Carriages ought [322] to be licensed and regulated and their stands prescribed, and they have therefore had the annexed Ordinance prepared for that purpose which they recommend to be passed.

All which is respectfully submitted

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

A Law

In addition to the Law of the 30th April 1827 entitled "A Law to Regulate Hackney Coaches and Carriages"

I. Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened That all hackney Coaches or Carriages of every kind and description whatever, which are kept for hire, or which run in the City of New York for fixed rates or prices, or otherwise from a certain place or places to any other certain place or places therein or which also take up and set down passengers at places intermediate the regular places of starting and stopping of such coaches or carriages shall take out licenses according to the provisions of the first section of the law hereby amended, for which the sum of One dollar for every such Coach or Carriage shall be paid, which licenses shall be issued and may be revoked by the Mayor of the [323] said City, according to the provisions of the first section.

And any person or persons keeping any such Coach or Carriage as aforesaid in this City, for hire as aforesaid without such License, or after such License is revoked, or a greater number than is allowed by such License, shall forfeit and pay One hundred dollars for every such offence.

II. And be it further ordained, That the fourth section of the Law as to drivers snapping or flourishing their whips; the thirteenth and fourteenth sections of the said law as to the use of sleighs in winter, and the fifteenth section of the said Law as to using lamps at night, shall in every respect apply to the Coaches or carriages mentioned in this Law; and likewise all the penalties therein imposed and

prescribed shall apply in like manner as if the said sections were incorporated with and made a part of this Law

III. And be it further ordained, That the Mayor of the said City with the advice and consent of the Alderman and Assistant in each Ward may designate such place or places in such ward as stands for so many of the coaches or Carriages to be licensed under this act as they may think fit; and that no such Coach or Carriage as is mentioned in this law, and being licensed under the same, shall stand for hire or wait for employ in any of the public streets or places of this City, other than at such stand or place or in such street as may be designated as aforesaid from [324] time to time, by the Mayor and the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward under the penalty of Twenty five dollars for each and every offence in the premises.

The Ordinance was considered by Sections and agreed to And on the question upon the final passage of the Law Alderman Peters called for a Division and the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Mott Ireland Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Ostrander Pittman Schiefflin Valentine Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Stevens Brown Shepherd Seaman Meserole Bolster Palmer Macneven 23.

In the Negative Ald Peters Mr Amerman Storms 3.

[325] So it was carried in the Affirmative and the Law was passed under the title of "A Law in addition to the Law of the 30th April "1827 entitled a Law to regulate Hackney Coaches and Carriages"

The Report of the Street Committee which was made at the last Meeting the Order of the day for the present meeting was called up and read as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening and Continuing Cedar street from William Street to Pearl Street respectfully

Report

That they have given the subject that deliberate consideration which its importance would seem to demand, and after a careful inspection of the premises are decidedly of the opinion that there does not exist in any part of the City a greater Nuisance than is to be found within the Block through which the Street contemplated would pass, and by which the evil complained of would be removed.

The buildings required to be removed on William and Pearl streets are Old and of no great Value, those standing on the interior of the Block are a mere mass of rubbish forming and generally containing

filth of a nature which must be highly insalubrious and prejudicial to the health of the Neighborhood and inhabitants [326] in that vicinity

For the foregoing reasons and from the consideration that the opening and continuing of Cedar street would not only remove the nuisance complained of, but would also present a number of valuable locations for buildings and other improvements Your Committee are induced to recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that Cedar street be opened and continued of the width of Thirty five feet from William street to Pearl street

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board adopt the usual measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

The Question being taken on the said Resolutions it was carried in the Affirmative and the Report was approved and the Resolutions were adopted

The Street Commissioner respectfully [327] informs the Common Council that he did in conformity with a Resolution of the Board proceed to open Herring street at Christopher street and that all the buildings and incumbrances were in due time removed, except those of William Patterson who has neglected and absolutely refuses to remove his buildings altho repeated[ly] noticed to do so

As it has become necessary to have the house of M^{r} Patterson removed in order [that] the regulating and paving of the Street may be carried into effect—The Street Commissioner would recommend that the Superintendant of Repairs be instructed to cause to be removed forthwith so much of M^{r} Pattersons buildings as incumber Herring street agreeably to the line of opening

All which is respectfully submitted

R Graves S^{t} Com^{r}

Which was agreed to and the Superintendant of Repairs was directed accordingly

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto viz^{t}

For paving Mott street from Houston to Bleecker street and Alpheus Sherman Charles Dusenberry and James Barclay were appointed Assessors.

[328] For paving Houston street from Crosby street to Elizabeth street and Henry Ritter Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts were appointed Assessors

For paving Seventh street from the Bowery to the 3d Avenue and Abraham Le Foy John B Thorp and John Leonard appointed Assessors

For regulating 13th Street from the Bowery to the 3d Avenue and John Targee Abraham Baudoine and Shivers Parker were appointed Assessors

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for laying Cross walks in the 11th Ward—Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto.

For pitching Thirteenth street from Broadway to the Hudson River and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

[329] For pitching and regulating Greenwich Lane between the 6th Avenue and 13th Street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which were appointed and the Resignations accepted.

Fire Engine Co

No 1.

James Hinton Tuner & filer 28 Leonard St

Vc Truman Sperry Left the City

No 2.

Mathew McBeath Shoe maker 32 Orchard St

Vc Dennis Cornell Resigned

No 6

Joseph Moon Carpenter 130 Hudson St

Vc James W Wilson Resigned

No 7

George W Tremper Shoe maker 188 William St

Vc Zephaniah Mullen Resigned

No 13

John N Mott Accountant 371 Pearl St

Vc Stephen C Degrove—Resigned

N° 36

John J Duryee Mason 9 King Street
V^c Jo^s Concklin Jun^r Time expired
Gustavus A Goodrich Carpenter 17 Dominick S^t
V^c Brooks Parmley—Resigned

[330] N° 26

Robert Carlock—Rigger Co^r Madison & Bermingham S^t
V^c William Jones—Resigned

N° 39.

John J Reily Printer 51 John Street
V^c Charles W Williams—Expelled
William Hilaman Cooper 201 Elm S^t
V^c John R S Huggett—Resigned
William A Candell Cooper 57 Anthony S^t
V^c Jesse Foshay—Resigned
Azel M^cCamon Merchant 112 Varick S^t
V^c Seldon Pratt—Resigned
John Clark Tinman Church S^t
V^c John N Cummings Resigned

Fire Hook & Ladder C^o

N° 5.

George A Miller—Carver 320 Broadway
V^c Stephen Lane Resigned

The City Inspector presented a Report and Ordinance to fill in Lots on Arden street as follows.

The City Inspector respectfully presents an Ordinance to the Board to fill in Two Lots on Arden street between Herring street and Bedford Street no owner can be ascertained. As they are a Nuisance it is conceived that they should be filled in with Earth at the public charge, [331] and a Lien held on the said Lots for the expence arising therefrom

Respectfully submitted

Geo: Cuming City Insp^r

Which was passed

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No 1	Jn Southwick	owner		Amity St	A Lot
2.	Moses Tucker	do		Do	Do
3.	Chs Trinder	Do		Do	Do
4.	R J Wells	Do		Do	Do
5.	Wynant Vanzandt	Do	No 124	Beekman St	Do
6.	Chs Mapes	Do	140	Do	Do
7.	Jno Hanmer	Do		Bleecker St	Do
8.	Jno Rathbone	Do		Do	Do
9.	Wm J Robinson	Do		Bond St	Do
10.	Ty Woodruff	Do		Do	Do
11.	Richd J Tucker	Do		Do	Do
12.	Ts T Woodruff	Do		Broome St	Do
13.	Chs McEvers	Do		Do	Do
14.	John J Astor	Do		Downing St	Do
15.	Wm D Murphy	Do		Henry St	Do
16.	Amos Clark	Do		Do	Do
17.	Js Williams	Do		Mercer St	Do
18.	Pk Monaghan	Do	215	Mott St	Do
19.	[332] R Prout	Do	199	Orange St	Do
20.	Revd Ts S Pitts	do	No 110 & 112	Ridge St	Do
21.	Rt Tillotson	do		Rivington St	Do
22.	Ellen Noe	Do	38	Water St	Do
23.	William Ballentine	Do	86	West St	Do
24.	Jb Barker	Do		Willett St	Do
25.	Fk Depeyster	Do		Downing St	Do
26.	Wm W Gilbert	Do	20	Raisen St	A privy
27.	Wm Wallace	Do	103	William St	do
28.	D Cochran	Do	84	Canal St	Do

Geo: Cuming
City Inspector

Which were passed

The following Resolution was presented and agreed to

Resolved that the Assignees of a Water Grant on the East River adjoining Peck Slip made by this Corporation on the 18th day of April 1810 to Jasper Ward are hereby ordered and directed forthwith to cause the necessary repairs at their own expence to be made and done to the bulk head or wharf, or wharf or street in front of or opposite to the premises comprehended in the said Grant or which by the terms of such grant are to be made and done at the expence of the Grantees and that in case such repairs shall in whole or part be neglected to be made or done the Street Commissioner shall cause the same to be [333] done at the public expence, and thereupon direct proper proceedings to be commenced against the assignees of the said Grant,

to forfiet the grant and recover the possession of the premises Comprehended therein, or to sue for the breach of covenant in not repairing as shall seem most advisable.

Alderman Smith presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that Bridge street be repaved and the side walks be regulated from Broad to White Hall street.

Mr Stevens presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

Resolved that the Committee on Public Offices report to the Board the different Tenants who occupy the Building usually called the Scientific Institution, the tenure of their Leases, and whether all or any of them ought to be required to provide accommodation for themselves elsewhere.

Alderman Ostrander presented the following Resolution which was passed.

Whereas the paving of the Bowery Broadway and Third Avenue respectively are now progressing by which the Communication with this City will be obstructed unless some other way is [334] opened therefore Resolved that 13th Street be dug out and regulated from the Bowery to the Third Avenue and that the Street Commissioner present an Ordinance accordingly.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be directed to make a Report at the next meeting of the Board on the Petition to have a Pier built at the foot of Broome street East River

Mr Brown presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

Resolved that the Superintendant of Wharves Piers & Slips be directed to repair the Wharf between Roosevelt Street and James Slip so as to prevent the tide rising over it

Mr Bolster presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that William Thompson be appointed a Commissioner of the School fund for the 11th Ward in place of Cornelius Schuyler Resigned

[335] Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was laid on the Table.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Jail & Bridewell to Report on the expediency of opening Charles street from Washington to West street through the prison ground lately purchased of the

State and of the disposition to be made of the buildings on said ground

Mr Macneven presented the following Resolution which was laid on the Table

Resolved that a select Committee be appointed to enquire into the causes of the prevailing sickness in the Alms House Penitentiary and Fever Hospital and to report their opinion as to the proper remedies.

Mr Bolster presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the expediency of Regulating and paving Second street from Avenue D to North Street.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 2d Inst		8089.24
Recd for Streets		19035.26
[336]	Auction Sales	7.500.00
	Tax of 1827	7.499.27
	Rents	6.696.38
	Tavren Licences	6.000.
	Justices Courts	880.05
	Commutation Alien Passengers	705.
	Mayoralty fees	78.
		56.483.20

48 Accounts audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Hibberd & Asten " 2d do	945.
Stagg & Herring " 3d do	945.
D Hageman Superdt Wharves 1 Qur Salary 5 June	150.
C. Myers Keeper Pottersfield 1 Mo 1 June	69.75
N Dean County Clerk sundry services from Feb 1826 to 13 June 1828	425.33
J Morton Clerk Com Council Hack Acts	41.
L Baum Clerk Washgt Market 1 Mo 1 June	80.67
J Bremner Clerk Cath Market " "	62.
P Amerman " 3 Markets " "	54.50
D. T. Valentine M M Court " "	33.75
S Parker Chairm of Board of Canvassers Election	42.
P Pinckney for Inspectors & Clerks Election 11 Ward	39.
J Lounsbery Do " " 13	39.
D Banks Do " " 5	13.
T Miller Do " " 9	13.
N Schureman Do " " 10	13.
A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 15 June	139.44
[337] J Ahern Clerk issuing Tavren Licences 30 days	60.
Wm Bleecker do Do 25 "	50.
John Wark Marshall attending Do 30 "	60.

J F Sibell Tax books & Stationary	104.13	
Lang Turner & Co Subscriptn Gazette 6 Months 7 June	50.	
Mercantile Advertr do 3 Mo 1 May	25.	
J Williams Actt reg 10th St from 5th to 6th Avenue	2000.	
T Cummings Actt reg 6th Avenue fm Greenwich Lane to 13th St	900.	
T Price Actt Sewer Beaver St b Bdway & Broad St	450.	
T Cummings bal pav Hammond fm Asylum St to Greenwich Lane	301.61	
H Spencer Actt reg & pav 5th St fm 1st to 3d Avenue	200.	
Estate C Mooney Actt Cross walks 8th Ward	170.	
J Pettigrew bal flaggg Side walks G Jones St b B[roadway] & B[owery]	160.80	
R Munson & Assocts Comrs fees & expence opg Lafayette Place	245.50	
M Ulshoffer Atty & Court Charges do Do	173.63	
J Fairlie & Associats Comrs fees & expences openg Green St fm 4th to Art St	674.76	
M Ulshoeffer Atty & Court Charges do " "	248.09	
P Smith repav part Tryon row front Corptn property	88.96	
T Cummings for Earth along State Prison Wall West St &c	156.18	
G Lovett Attorney of Wm Hockman 2d payt Pier at Warren St	3350.	
R Graves St Comr Actt repairs Roads	1000.	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Fire Dept	2470.	
J. P Roome Do " Repairs	1048.	
J. P. Roome Do " Markets	325.	
J. P. Roome Do " Pumps	300.	
J. P. Roome Do " Streets	162.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House	5000.	
[338] J Sidell first Marshall for Officers atten[d]ing Election in May	214.	
C J Roosevelt Clerk issuing Tavern Licences 30 days	60.	
Saml Oakley for Lot of Ground on Hester Street for 2 E Houses	1000.	25.539.10
	Balance	$30.944.10

The Board then adjourned to this day fortnight at 5 OClock P M.

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

JUNE 30, 1828 TO NOVEMBER 3, 1828

[1] In Common Council 30th June 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
John Lozier	Isaac Brown
William S Coe	John Shepherd Junr
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Abm M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	Henry Storms
	James Palmer
	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of David Fowler and others for a Well & Pump in Perry street between Washington & West steet was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner

[2] A Petition of Timothy Dunn Robert Jollie Augustus Webb Samuel Rich & Robert Morris severally to be appointed Keeper of the Washington parade Ground were read and laid on the Table.

A Remonstrance of J Cram & others of Charles G Allen & others and of William Tyson & others severally against the opening of Canal street from Centre street to the Bowery were read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Francis Kain & others praying to have the side walks of Duane Street from Hudson to West street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of James Barton praying to be appointed a Public Weighmaster was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of the South Baptist Church in Nassau street praying to be relieved from the payment of an Assessment for widening

Nassau street was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of John K Van Houghton & of Whitfield Case praying to be appointed Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[3] A Memorial of John B Murray & others owners of property assessed for opening the Washington Military Parade ground was presented stating that a material error has occurred in the Assessment rendering the same wholly illegal and request a reference of the subject to a Committee—The same being read It was Resolved that Petitioners have leave to withdraw their Petition

A Petition of Robert Ray Executor of the late Cornelius Ray praying for a Water Grant in front of his property in Greenwich Village was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Carpenter & others Inhabitants of North street & its vicinity near the East River to have a drain laid under said street from Avenue D to the East River to draw the Water from their Cellars &c was read and referred to the Canal and Street Committees

A Petition of James Scott & W^{m} Ryerson praying to be appointed Measurers of Charcoal were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Stephen Smith to have Fourth street filled in and regulated from Avenue D to one hundred feet below Lewis street which was read and referred to the Street Committee

[4] A Remonstrance of Peter G Stuyvesant and others against building a Public Cistern at S^{t} Marks Church in the Bowery was read and laid on the Table and afterward called up and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Jordan Mott for the payment of a bill for repairing, winding &c of the Clock in the Mayors Office was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of a number of persons for a Well & Pump in Madison street near Walnut Street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Seventh Ward and the Street Commissioner

A Petition of Joseph Wilder complaining of George Cammerdon Butcher occupying Stall N^{o} 14 Washington Market and praying for relief was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Aaron Myers to be appointed a City Guager was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Jacob Seguine praying to have the money refunded that he paid for Six Lots of ground purchased at a Corporation Sale for Taxes [5] inasmuch as said Lots cannot be found was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Reuben Clark & others praying that measures may be taken to have certain Houses removed from South side of Broome street between Ludlow and Essex street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John P Barker for Stall N° 34 in Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Henry Hutchins to be appointed Inspector of Wharves Piers & Slips was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Joshua Place & Alexander Brown Butchers for permission to exchange their Stalls was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Stephen Stillwell & others owners and occupants of Property in Carmine & Clarkson streets praying that a Post may be established and a Watchman placed in the neighborhood of said Streets was read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition of the owners of property [6] fronting on Henry street stating that in consequence of the recent regulation of Henry Street wherein the same was lowered, their Stoops will require one additional step which step will extend some few inches further on the side walks and praying permission to add said Step &c was read and referred to the Street Committee

The following Letter was received from Miss Mary N Lawrence daughter of the late Captain James Lawrence expressing her obligations for the very liberal and kind donation which she had recieved from the Common Council

To the Honb[l] William Paulding

Permit me Sir to communicate to the Members of the Corporation through you their presiding Officer my deep sense of obligation for the very liberal and kind donation which I have received through the hands of M[r] Bleecker the Comptroller as it is an evidence of the Sympathy which the early fate of my brave and lamented father awakened in your breasts at that period.

The liberality and kindness of the Corporation added to the consciousness that the memory of my father still survives in your recol-

lection will be to my Mother and myself a source of unfading gratitude I remain Dear Sir

Respectfully yours

Mary N Lawrence

Which was read and directed to be filed

[7] A Communication was received from W^m A Seely Secratary of the Common Schools of the City of New York stating that the State had advanced the sum of $10 274,$^{6}/_{100}$ for the benefit of the Common Schools and praying that a simular provision may be made by the Common Council was read and referred to the Finance Committee with power

A Communication from James Stimpson respecting an Engine for extinguishing Fires &c was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

An Invitation was received from Major General Morton to the Review of the Troops on 4^th July next at 11 OClock A M which was read and accepted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of L & J Webb praying to be allowed to commute on a Water Lot presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully report on the annexed Petition of Lewis Webb & Joseph Webb praying that they may be allowed to Commute on a Water Lot granted to them on the 22^d January 1810

The Statement made by them of the manner of Commuting, varies from the Mode established by the Board on the 14^th February 1825 which was recommended by the Finance Committee after due deliberation

[8] It was then determined "that a principal sum of money should be required, which at five per Cent will produce the rent to be released and commuted

The Commutation however not to be allowed except on such grants in which there is but one rate or amount of Quit rent reserved, or in which the highest rate of Rent is payable, or at the rate of the highest amount of rent reserved or payable at any time out of the grant to be commuted for, nor is any part of a grant or less than the rent reserved in a whole grant to be commuted for, under any circumstances, nor until all arrears of rent on the Grant be paid up to the time of Commutation."

It appears to the Committee most advantageous for the Revenue that the Common Council should adhere to the foregoing Rule, And

they accordingly recommend for the sanction of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[9] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Patten to have a grant made to Samuel Thompson which was heretofore directed to be made to him presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of James Patten, who it seems has sold his right to a Water Grant heretofore agreed to be made to him, and accordingly wishes it to be made out to Samuel Thompson the purchaser as the grant to Patten has not been made out, there can be no objections to making it out to Thompson—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that said Grant be made out to Samuel Thompson upon the terms and conditions heretofore agreed to by the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Wm W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the New York City Dispensary praying for their annual allowance of Six hundred dollars presented the following Report in favor

[10] The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of the New York City Dispensary who pray for the usual annual donation of $600, on account of the vaccine operations of the Institution

Your Committee having considered this matter, are of opinion that it is a matter of great public importance to guard against the existence and spreading of the Small pock, and similar infection;

and that the usual donation for that purpose ought to be made to the City Dispensary

The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Comptroller be requested to report a Warrant for Six hundred dollars in favor of the Treasurer of the City Dispensary

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
Wm W Mott
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Chitty to have Ten dollars returned to him which he paid for Tavren License presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of William Chitty [11] whose residence was destroyed by the Fire at the corner of Bayard and Elizabeth streets, and wishes to have Ten dollars returned to him which he paid for a tavren License at that place. Your Committee having considered this matter, do not feel themselves justified in recommending the prayer of the Petition—They think it will be a precedent leading to other applications; and that it is inexpedient for the Board to interfere in such cases—They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Green street paved from Bleecker street to 4th Street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for paving Greene street from Bleecker street to Fourth street respectfully Report

That in their opinion that Street ought to be [12] paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Greene street be regulated and paved from Bleecker to Fourth street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Second street from Avenue B to Avenue C presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Second street from Avenue B to Avenue C and between Avenue D and North street respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Second Street be regulated and paved from Avenue B to Avenue C and from Avenue D to North Street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[13] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side Walks of Washington street *Street* from Charlton to Hammond street paved presented the following Report in favor.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Petition to have the Side walks of Washington street paved from Charlton to Hammond street, that in their opinion the walks of Washington street ought to be paved and according[ly] submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Washington street be paved from Charlton street to Hammond street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of Jay & West streets paved presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for having the side Walks of Jay and West street paved respectfully Report their opinion in the following Resolutions

Resolved that the side walks of Jay [14] street be paved from Washington street to West street.

Resolved that the side walks of West street be paved from Duane street to Harrison Street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Remonstrance of sundry persons against the regulation of Water street between Market Slip and Rutgers Slip presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the remonstrance of sundry persons against a permanent regulation of Water street between Market Slip and Rutgers Slip respectfully Report

That in their opinion it would be highly improper to pave that street on a regulation below what will be required to convey the Water to the River upon the surface when the waters of the River shall have been filled in to the permanent line at South street and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Petitioners have [15] leave to withdraw their Petition.

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition to have the side walks of 6th Street paved between Broadway and Christopher street presented the following Report in favor.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have the Side walks of Sixth street paved between Broadway and Christopher street respectfully Report

That in their opinion so much of the walks of that Street between Broadway and McDougal street do not required to be paved at present there being no improvements by buildings on that part of the Street.

Your Committee would recommend that the walks of Sixth street be paved from McDougal street to Christopher street only and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Sixth street be paved from McDougal street to Christopher street

Gideon Ostrander
[16] Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of persons to have Front street repaved presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Front street repaved between Moore street and White Hall street Report that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Front street be repaved from the Easterly side of Moore street to Whitehall street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Le Roy street paved from Hudson to Washington street presented the [17] following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Le Roy street paved from Hudson street to Washington street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion that street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Le Roy street be paved from Hudson street to Washington street

Gideon Ostrander
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have side walks of Arden street paved from Bedford street to Herring street presented the following Report in favor.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have the side walks of Arden street paved respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks in that street require to be paved and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks in Arden street be paved between Bedford and Herring streets

Gideon Ostrander
[18] Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening and continuing the 8th Avenue from its present termination at 13th Street in such direction as to form a Junction with Hudson street at Bank street presented the following Report against the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening and continuing the Eighth Avenue from its present termination at 13th Street in such direction as to form a junction with Hudson street at Bank street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the opening of that Avenue as petitioned for, is not required for public convenience and the expense and damage to individual property would far exceed any possible benefit that would result from such opening—Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to open the Eighth Avenue into Hudson Street

Gideon Ostrander
[19] Lemuel Pittman
Thos T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petitions for and Remonstrances against the extension of Canal street from Centre Street to the Bowery presented the following Report against the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions for and Remonstrances against the opening and continuing Canal street from its present termination at Centre street to the Bowery Respectfully Report

That they have viewed the premises and given the subject their deliberate consideration and are of the opinion, the opening and continuing that street in the manner proposed would be destructive of very valuable property and consequently attended with a burthensome assessment on the owners of property who are unable to bear it and also of large sums drawn from the public treasury for a proportion of the value of buildings required to be removed—Your Committee would however suggest, that inasmuch as a more direct communication between the Eastern and Western Sections of the City is desirable all the facilities asked for would [20] be acquired at a comparitively trifling expense by opening and continuing Canal street into Pump Street at its intersection with Mulberry street, but as that improvement is not asked for the Committee do not at present recommend its adoption, and in accordance with the subject referred to them submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to open and Continue Canal Street to the Bowery

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Cleaning streets presented a Report on the Accounts &c of the Superintendant of Streets which was read and referred back to the Committee

The Committee on the Fire Department presented the following Report on subject of removal of Fire Engine House N° 38 in consequence of the raising of Love Lane

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully Report to the Board that in consequence of the raising of the Street commonly called Love Lane, it becomes necessary to move Fire Engine N° 38, [21] that House being about six feet below the regulation of that Street, the Committee therefore recommend the building of a house for said Engine on the ground adjoining the House of Refuge—Accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to build a House agreeable to the above recommendation under the direction of this Committee

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Wm M Johnson & others to have a Fire Engine located between 13th & 18th Streets near 9th Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully Report on the within Petition of William M Johnson and others to have a Fire Engine located between 13th & 18th streets near the 9th Avenue

Having visited that part of the City it appears to your Committee that the request of the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted

[22] There is now in that neighbourhood a large and increasing population, and no Engine stationed near them—Your Committee recommend the Lot of ground as most suitable for this purpose on 13th Street near the Seventh Avenue and which is now the property of the Corporation a Map of which is herewith enclosed

They therefore submit for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to erect on the ground as above mentioned a House and place an Engine in

the same, under the direction of this Committee and a Company be allowed for said Engine to consist of Eighteen men

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Public Offices presented the following Report on subject of increasing the salary of D D Williamson

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the annexed Resolution beg leave respectfully to recommend the adoption [23] of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Salary of Douw D Williamson for services be increased from Two hundred and fifty to Five hundred dollars

Respectfully submitted

J F Sibell
William S Coe
B J Meserole
John Lozier

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin C Burdett Henry Hebbard William Wasson & Richard M Demill for Office of City Guager presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of Benjamin C Burdett, Henry Hebard, William Wasson and Richard M Demill to be appointed Guagers have had the same under consideration and respectfully offer the following resolution.

Resolved that Benjamin C Burdett be and he is hereby appointed a City Guager in the place of William Lupton resigned.

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted [24] And Benjamin C Burdett was accordingly appointed a City Guager.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas R Moore & Simon Mason to be appointed

Keeper of the Park and of Frazee Connett William Shaw Enos Ketchum Wm McGie and Samuel Hutchings to be appointed Keeper of the Washington Parade ground presented a Report which was read and Laid on the Table

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen. The resignations were accepted and Appointments made vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 3

James Toole—Blacksmith 59 William St
vc William Hancock—Resigned
Edward Dunn—Baker 125 Greenwich St
vc Robert P Hancock—Resigned

No 14

Robert W Buloid—Grocer 104 Chamber St
vc David Redfield—Time Expired

No 28

James H Craniss Carpenter 170 Elm St
vc Edward Whatkeys Resigned

[25] No 36

John Westervelt—Mason No 12 Vestry St
vc Stephen Terhune—Resigned

No 37

John J Walton—Mason 252 Broome St
vc Charles Miller—Resigned
Joseph H Hobby—Grocer Cor Hester & Eldridge
vc Andrew Wheeler—Resigned

No 41.

Charles H Haymore Hatter 502 Grand St
vc Watson *Bouren* [Bowren]—Resigned

No 44.

Noah Knapp—Shoemaker 131 Lewis St
vc William C Bostwick—Resigned.
Alexander McDonald—Ship Carpenter—Stanton near Lewis St
vc John E Soloman—Resigned
Rinaldo Gage—Grocer Cor Lewis & Goerck St
vc William H Brown Left the City

Fire Hook & Ladder Co

No 3.

Robert Broadwelt—Carpenter Varick near Spring St
vc Christian Stanford Resigned

No 5.

Selden Benjamin Cartman 35 Goerck St
vc Joseph Cole—Resigned

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed [26] and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For repaving Le Roy Street from Hudson to Washington street and Henry Ritter Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts appointed Assessors

For paving the side walks of Jay street from Washington to West street—And of West street from Duane to Harrison street and Joshua Hatfield Pine Hopkins & George C Hawthorn appointed Assessors

For repaving Front street from Moore street to White Hall street and Thomas R Smith John Slidell and Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors

For paving Green street from Bleecker street to Fourth street and Abraham Bloodgood Peter Pinckney and Thomas Herring appointed Assessors

For a Well and Pump in Mott street near Spring street and Peter Stagg James Fairlie and Isaac Kip appointed Assessors

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for repaving Madison street from Pearl to Oliver streets Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

[27] The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well and Pump in Pitt street between Stanton and North street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For a Well and Pump in Ninth street near the Bowery and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For repaving Forsyth street from Bayard to Hester street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

The City Inspector presented a Report of an Ordinance to fill in certain Lots, South west corner of Second street near the junction with the First Avenue—Which was passed

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of sundry Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

N[o]	1	M Lawrence	Owner	N[o] 143 Spring S[t]	A Lot
	2.	J R Livingston	D[o]	Cannon S[t]	D[o]
	3.	J Drake	D[o]	Twelfth S[t]	D[o]
	4.	N Weed	do	D[o]	D[o]
	5.	[28] W[m] J[s] Macneven	do	D[o]	D[o]
	6.	T[s] A Emmet	Do	D[o]	D[o]
	7.	J[s] Bryar	Agent	Fifth Avenue	D[o]
	8.	J[s] M[c]Cune	Owner	do	D[o]
	9	R[d] S[l] Haskill	do	D[o]	D[o]
	10.	N[s] Gouverneur	do	91 Ludlow S[t]	D[o]
	11.	Augus[s] Wynkoop	do	Avenue D	D[o]
	12.	M Livingston	D[o]	Clinton S[t]	D[o]
	13.	D[l] Higgins	D[o]	268 Mott	D[o]
	14.	Tucker & Morss	D[o]	Broadway	D[o]
	15.	Van Rensaeller	D[o]	D[o]	D[o]
	16.	Jn[o] J Astor	D[o]	D[o]	D[o]
	17.	J Kemp	D[o]	D[o]	D[o]
	18.	Jones Phillips Phœnix	D[o]	23 South S[t]	D[o]
	19.	D[o]	D[o]	D[o]	D[o]
	20.	John R Livingston	D[o]	Ridge S[t]	D[o]
	21.	J[h] Graham	do	North S[t]	D[o]
	22.	R Moneypenny	D[o]	148 Orange S[t]	A privy
	23.	M Griffen	Lessee	227 Division	D[o]
	24.	J Mills	Owner	278 Delancy	D[o]
	25.	R[d] Rhodes	D[o]	Ridge S[t]	D[o]

Geo. Cuming City Inspector

Which were passed

The Report of the Committee on the Fire Department in relation to Public Cisterns which had be[en] laid for Consideration was called up and read as follows

[29] The Report of the Chief Engineer was as follows

To the Corporation of the City of New York

The Chief Engineer feels it his duty, strengthened by the opinion of a great number of his fellow Citizens, to communicate to the Common Council the destitute situation of some portion of our City for the want of Water to extinguish fires

It is well Known that the City has increased in its size to almost an u[n]paralleled degree and not a small pro[po]rtion of the buildings particularly in the upper part thereof, are constructed of wood, and the supply of water very limited; being convinced of the necessity of an

additional number of public cisterns, he invited the Engineers of the Department to accompany him and decide upon the best and most desirable location; which visit was performed by them about three weeks since, and they found that in a number of situations where a fire might originate their only dependance for water would be from pumps and private Cisterns; and it must be obvious to almost every individual how very insufficient that would be, particularly if the fire had reached any considerable height before the arrival of a sufficient number of Engines to check its progress—He hazards nothing in saying that those already in use have saved the property of our fellow citizens to an immense amount, and had it not been from the circumstance [30] of the cisterns in the vicinity of the Bowery being drained by the unusual number of fires recently, the fire of the 27th of May last would not have been so destructive—Under a deep conviction of the importance of the subject, and the safety of the property of our Citizens he would respectfully recommend that Public Cisterns be located at the following places vizt

Two at the Public School in Duane street near Church street
Two at the Church in King street near McDougal street
Two at the Public School corner of Hudson and Burrows street
Two at the Church corner of Herring & Amos streets
One at the Methodist Church in Bedford street near Arden street
Two at the Church in Bleecker street near Broadway
Two at St Marks Church in Stuyvesant Street
Two at the Church corner Broome & Ridge streets
One additional at Essex Market
Two at the Baptist Church corner of Delancy and Christie streets
Two at the Friends Meeting corner of Hester and Elizabeth streets

The only apology I have to offer to the Board for trespassing on so much of their time with this communication is to impress upon them the importance of furnishing a supply of [31] Water to extinguish fires

All which is respectfully submitted

Jameson Cox
Chief Engineer

The Report of the Committee was as follows

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the communication from the Chief Engineer recommending the Building of public Cisterns for the extinguishment of fires

Respectfully Report

That having given the subject that consideration which its im-

portance seemed to demand—Your Committee are of the opinion that additional supplies of water for the above named purpose is highly necessary, and ought to be ordered immediately—The amount necessary for building Twenty cisterns as recommended by the Chief engineer, is estimated at Ten thousand Dollars, of the usual size of One hundred hogsheads each, and the expense of assessing and collecting in the usual way must augment this sum two thirds; although it might be wished that the assessing of the expenses upon individuals might be avoided, yet the Committee are of opinion that it is the only satisfactory course that can be now pursued, as the benefits arising from the Cisterns will be local, and as other parts of the City have been assessed in large sums for simular purposes, Taking into [32] view the destitute situation of some parts of our City for the supply of water to extinguish fires—having no reliance except on Public pumps and private cisterns. Your Committee think that the Board and their fellow Citizens will concur with them in saying that no expense should be spared to accomplish this very important object.

The location as proposed by the Chief engineer, being in the upper part of the City, where the houses are mostly constructed of wooden materials the hazard of fire is consequently very great and its progress rapid; and if immediate relief is not afforded extensive conflagrations must be expected

The Committee would therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Public Cisterns be located at the following places Viz[t]

	Feet from the River
Two at the public School in Duane near Church Street	1650
Two at the Church in King Street near M[c]Dougal street	2200
Two at the Public School corner of Hudson and Barrow streets	1350
Two at the Church corner of Herring and Amos streets	1700
One at the Methodist Church in Bedford near Arden street	1850
Two at Church in Bleecker Street near Broadway	4700
Two at S[t] Marks Church in Stuyvesant Street	2520
Two at Church corner of Broome & Ridge streets	2200
One additional at Essex Market	3640
[33] Two at Baptist church corner of Delancy and Chrystie streets	4760
Two at the Friends Meeting House corner of Hester & Elizabeth streets	2970

All which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Stuart F Randolph
W[m] H Ireland
James Palmer

After some discussion a Motion to take the Question on each pro-

posed Cistern was agreed to—The first and second proposed were agreed to—A motion to postpone was made and lost—A motion to agree to the Resolution for the remaining Cisterns was made and a Division called by Alderman Peters when the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Mott Lozier Coe Randolph Pittman Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Seaman Sibell 12

In the Negative Ald Ireland Peters Ostrander Valentine Mr Stevens Brown Shepherd Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms Palmer 12

[34] The Board being equally divided the Mayor gave his vote in the Negative, So the question was lost—It was then moved that the whole subject together with a Resolution presented by Mr Sibell be referred back to the same Committee which was agreed to—And it was referred accordingly.

The Report of the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the subject of altering the Wood Inspection Districts which was laid on the Table was called up and read—Mr Storms presented a Resolution for the establishment of certain additional Districts in the 12th Ward—Whereupon the whole subject was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Special Committee appointed to manage the 4th of July operations be increased to seven.

Whereupon the President appointed Mr Brown and Mr Meserole on that Committee

Alderman Coe presented the following which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the Side walks in Henry street be flagged from Oliver to Rutgers street.

[35] Mr Seaman presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized to Borrow (under the direction of the Finance Committee and on such terms as they may prescribe) the sum of One hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of paying to the State of New York the purchase money for the State Prison at Greenwich at an interest not exceeding Six per Cent.

Alderman Ostrander presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the Sidewalks of Burrows street be laid with flagging from Hudson to Herring street

Mr Brown presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that Fire Engine Company No 44 be increased to 26 Men being two additional

Mr Bolster presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the expediency of regulating and paving Second street from Avenue C to Avenue D.

[36] Alderman Ireland presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Law & Police Committee

Resolved that it be referred to a Committee to enquire into the Propriety of dividing the Police, and whether the Public interest does not call for the locating of an Office in one of the upper Wards. And that said Committee be requested to Report their opinion thereon, at the next regular Meeting of the Board.

Alderman Smith presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to issue his Warrant in favor of John M Bloodgood for Five hundred dollars to be applied to payments for Cleaning the Streets.

Alderman Smith presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that Water street be repaved from Wall street to Old Slip

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

Resolved that all Public Cisterns which may hereafter be constructed shall be at the Public expense and not by Assessment

[37] Alderman Peters presented the following Preamble and Resolution which were referred to the Finance Committee.

Whereas it appears that Nathaniel C Griffith Esqr is Assignee of a Grant heretofore made to one Gedney adjoining Hammond street on the North River, and that the said River hath been encroached upon beyond the said grant, and that the said Griffith neglects to take out a Grant from the exterior line of said grant to Gedney to the line of West street upon the usual terms and conditions—And whereas it is necessary that such grant should be made in order to complete the improvements in that part of the City—Therefore

Resolved, that in case the said N C Griffith doth not apply for and take out such Grant at the next Meeting of this Board: The Finance Committee be authorized to sell the same to any other person or

persons, and that a Copy of this Resolution be served on the said Griffith.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Acct 16th Inst	$30.944.10
Recd for Streets	11.157.
" " Lien on Lots	8.085.55
" " Rents	2.675.22
" " Lottery Licences for Public Schools	3.250.
" " Wells & Pumps	283.80
" " Clerk of Sessions fees	208.54
" " [38] Justices Courts	184.13
" " Sales at Public Yard	169.67
	$56.958.01

74 Accounts audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch	1st	Dist		$1386.
Hibberd & Asten	do	2d	"	945.
Stagg & Herring	do	3d	"	948.50
Wm Paulding Mayor Salary	1 Qur	2d	July	750.
Wm S Smith Collector City Revenue	1 Qr	22d	June & Expences	305.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall	1 Month		1 July	75.
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield			" "	67.50
O Ayres Asst City Inspector			" "	56.25
J Coffin Do			" "	56.25
C Gilman Keeper of Battery			" "	37.50
A McCready Keeper of Park			" "	37.50
J. J. Shoemaker St Inspector	1st	Ward	" "	45.
T Woolcocks	do	2d	" "	45.
J B Ebbets	Do	3d	" "	45.
N B Lyon	Do	4th	" "	45.
I A Isaacs	Do	5th	" "	45.
S Waddell	Do	6th	" "	45.
B Fuller	Do	7th	" "	45.
W G Babb	Do	8th	" "	45.
H Mott	Do	9th	" "	45.
T Austin	Do	10th	" "	45.
J Woodruff	Do	11th	" "	45.
D Hubberd	Do	13th	" "	45.
[39] B OConnor	Do	14	" 1 Inst	45.
J Bremner Clerk Cath Market			" "	60.
G Duryea " Fulton			" "	41.67
I Asten sweeper do			" "	46.19
R Smith Clerk Franklin			" "	37.50
J Seaman " Manhattan			" "	30.
Allen Parker Asst Board of Health			29 May to "	56.
J Pinckney "			1 Mo "	50.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removing Nuisances			" "	36.02

John Colvill coroner 1 Qr 1 July						570.40
J O Woodruff Keeper Penitentiary & 3 Assts 1 Qr 1 July						625.
Abm Leggett Super Mud-Scow 2 weeks to 29 June						132.90
R Riker Recorder 1 Qr Salary 1 July						375.
Ald Smith Attending Sessions & Oyer & Terminer 6 Mo to 1 July				14	days	56.
Ald Mott	Do	"	"	14	"	56.
Ald Ireland	Do	"	"	13	"	52.
Ald Lamb	Do	"	"	12	"	48.
Ald Lozier	Do	"	"	12	"	48.
Ald Coe	Do	"	"	26	"	104.
Ald Randolph	Do	"	"	12	"	48.
Ald Peters	Do	"	"	12	"	48.
Ald Ostrander	Do	"	"	14	"	56.
Ald Pittman	Do	"	"	1	"	4.
Ald Valentine	Do	"	"	13	"	52.
Ald Woodruff	Do	"	"	13	"	52.
J Gilbert Clerk 3 Markets 1 Month 1 July						64.
Jacob Hays High Constable 1 Qr Salary "						125.
[40] B J Hays, B Fuller Z Homan Attending on reception of Mr Munroe						6.
Saml Judd 14 Casks Oil						624.
N Comstock 10 do						538.48
G Snethen lighting Lamps 1 Month 1 July						1099.61
G Snethen Super Lamps 1 Qr Salary "						187.50
R Provoost repairg Lamps 1 Month "						219.86
Gould & Banks 50 Laws of the State Session 1828						127.50
National Advocate Subscription 6 Mo 15 June						50.
Evening Post " 6 Mo 1 June						50.
Merchants Telegraph Advertisg Act for New Council						22.33
S Fargay Actt repav Madison fm Pearl to Oliver St						400.
T Price Actt Sewer Beaver St fm Broadway to Broad St						170.
Estate C Mooney Actt cross walks 8 Ward						150.
H Smith Actt reg & pav Madison fm Clinton to Walnut St						100.
D Mehan repairing Intersections 3d Ward						118.80
J McAuley repairs Wharf & pavement Roosevelt Slip						76.63
H & R Cochran repairs Intersection 4th Ward						4.16
T Cumming removg Earth fm Old G Road to Washington Square						65.56
M M Noah Advertisg Assesst on Sale 24th Inst						27.
F. Hall & Co	Do	Do	"			27.
P McGlinn bal Well Greenwich St near Avenue C						23.63
D Harren bal Well 2d Street near Avenue C						14.
Jacob Wyckoff Chairm Comte Expences visit to Sing Sing 18 June						674.75
Mechanics Bank Bond 1 Septr 1827 No 2					$31.000	
Intrest 6 Mo to 1 July					930	
					31.930.00	44.829.99
Balance						$12.128.02

[41] A Member stated that he had bussiness of a confidential nature to communicate

Whereupon the lobby was cleared and the

Doors were Closed

The Special Committee on Blackwells Island presented the following

See page 69

[42] In Common Council July 14, 1828

Present The Honb[l] William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Jacob Wyckoff
William W Mott	Samuel Stevens
William H Ireland	Isaac Brown
Anthony Lamb	John Shepherd Jun[r]
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	John F Sibell
Stuart F Randolph	Isaac Amerman
John R Peters	Bernard J Meserole
Gideon Ostrander	Henry B Bolster
Lemuel Pittman	James Palmer
Abr[m] M Valentine	William Ja[s] Macneven
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of Joseph Mills for the Office of Inspector of Fire wood was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Communication from John Woods [43] complaining of the conduct of Captain Hibberd of the 2[d] District Watch was read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants in Orchard street praying to have vacant Lots fenced in, in said street between Broome & Delancy street was read and referred to the City Inspector

A Petition of William James to be appointed Keeper of the Washington Parade Ground was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A bill was presented from William G Babb Street Inspector of the 8[th] Ward of $14 $^{50}/_{100}$ for removing nuisances from foot of Charlton street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Nathaniel C Griffith for a Water Grant in front of his property on the North side of Hammond street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Perkins Nichols for permission to erect a Bridge at

the foot of 3d Street near Mangin street or some other street for the purpose of conveying earth from Long Island to fill in 3d Street was [44] read and referred to the Street Committee with power

A Remonstrance of the Reformed Dutch Church in Greenwich Village against Building Public Cisterns and being Assessed on them was read and laid on the Table—was afterward called up and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature

A Petition of John Crouter to be appointed Inspector of Fire wood was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Jeffry Reeves for Office of Superintendant of Repairs of Docks & Slips was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Charles Minton & others to have the Pump at the corner of Greene & Grand streets repaired was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 8th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of the Trustees of the General Episcopal Theological Seminary for a Grant to erect a Bulk head Four hundred feet west of the 10th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee

[45] A Petition of John McGowan for the Office of Keeper of Washington Parade Ground was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of John Murray & others Peter A Jay & others Alexander Hamilton & others and of Libbeus Chapman severally to have Canal street opened and extended to Pump street were read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the Butchers & Inhabitants in and about Catharine Market complaining of the obstruction of the side walks of Catharine street near Cherry street by dealers in Country produce &c and praying that the evil complained of may be remidied was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Charles Christian for the Office of Special Justice of the Peace was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Miles Hitchcock stating that the Commissioners for widening & improving Nassau street from Maiden Lane to Liberty street awarded to him the sum of $6150, and praying the Common Council to loan a part of said sum to him to enable him to complete and finish the [46] House on said Lot, he paying interest on the whole amount until it is due was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Peter Chivis for a grant for Stall N° 10 Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the Managers of the Society for the reformation of Juvenile delinquents for the grant of a small Lot of land containing about Two acres adjoining the House of Refuge during the pleasure of the Board was read and referred to the Finance Committee

The following Letter was received from the Reverend Stephen N Rowan accompanied with a Copy of the Declaration of Independance engrossed on Vellum

Hon: William Paulding
Mayor of the City of New York
Sir

In the name of the contributors to the work, I herewith present to the Common Council, for their use at the successive Anniversaries of our great National Festival, a Copy of the Declaration of Independance; accompanied by [47] a Certificate of the venerable Charles Carroll the last surviving signer of the Original Instrument.

This Copy was engrossed on Vellum as the result of a suggestion made by me in an address delivered at the request of the Common Council, on occasion of the almost simultaneous death of John Adams and Thomas Jefferson Presidents of the United States.

It is the most splendid Copy of the Declaration extant and the Certificate accompanying it, was written, without any recollection of the fact exactly Fifty years after the Original signature.

I trust, that the same Common Council, who were the first to render Elegiac Honours, to the Memory of the man who wrote the Declaration, and of him, who eloquently plead for its adoption, will cheerfully take measures to give perpetuity, and publicity to the patriotick sentiments contained in a Document, written with his own hand and in his Ninetieth year by its last surviving Signer

With sentiments of respect
I am your Servant

New York July 4, 1828 Stephen N Rowan

Whereupon the same having been read was Accepted and the Letter directed to be filed

[48] The following Letter was received from the "Williamson Guards" of Newark New Jersey stating it afforded the Corps great pleasure to associate with the Citizens of this City in celebration of the 4th of July and their respects and thanks to the Corporation for

the very gratifying attentions and hospitable treatment which was extended to them &c

To the Honorable William Paulding
Mayor of the City of New York

Sir

The undersigned in behalf of the "Williamson Guards" take leave to present to you and through you, to the Honorable the Corporation of the City of New York, the respects and the thanks of the Corps for the very gratifying attentions and Hospitable treatment which was extended to them during their visit to your City on the 4th Inst.

Distinguished as the Citizens of New York have long been for their Patriotism and enterprise it affor[d]ed our Corp[s] great pleasure to associate with them in commemorating the Birth day of our Countrys Independance, this pleasure was hightened by the Kind and hospitable attentions received from you, and the honorable body over which you preside

With the highest respect we are your Obedient Servants.

William Stevens
[49] A Chichester
Newark July 8, 1828 G A Haydock Committee

Whereupon the same having been read, was accepted and directed to be filed

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Resolution relative to a Water Grant on the North River opposite to the premises of N. C. Griffith presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Resolution, relative to a Water grant on the North river, opposite the premises of Nathaniel C Griffith—It appears that Griffith is the Assignee of a grant heretofore made to one Gedney; And your Committee understand that he is willing to take out his grant upon the usual terms and conditions, whereby any other than the usual course becomes unnecessary

Your Committee therefore recommend that a Grant be made to Mr Griffith from the outer part of the Gedney grant to West street upon the like terms as the adjoining grants to Thompson & Halliday were made

The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the usual Water grant to Nathaniel C Griffith [be

made], and that the same be authenticated during the recess [50] of the board

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob Seguine for a return of Money paid by him for certain Lots bought by him at a Tax sale in-asmuch as said Lots could not be found presented the following Report

The Finance Committee Respectfully

Report

on the within Petition of Jacob Seguine, for a return of money paid by him for certain Lots bought by him at a Tax sale

It appears that no such Lots exist, and the Assessors of the Ward made a mistake in designating this property

By the conditions of the Tax sales in cases of Mistakes *to* [the] money is to be returned with lawful interest—Under these circumstances the following Resolution is respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Street Commissioner apply for a Warrant to repay the money so paid by [51] Jacob Seguine with lawful interest and that the same be paid upon the Leases being surrendered

W Seaman
W W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Bridge street from Broad to White Hall street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Bridge street from Broad street to Whitehall street respectfully Report

That in their opinion that Street requires repaving and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Bridge street be repaved between Broad street and White Hall street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Canal and Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition that a drain or [52] Sewer may be built in North street from the River to Avenue D presented the following Report

The Joint Committee on Canals and Streets to whom was referred the annexed Petition that a drain or sewer may be built in North street from the River to Avenue D for the purpose of draining their Cellars which are filled with water and rendered thereby useless and unhealthy

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted Accordingly they submit the following Resolution

Resolved that a drain be built in North street from the East River to Avenue D under the directions of the Street Commissioner

Thomas T Woodruff
H. B. Bolster
John Lozier
John R Peters
Gideon Ostrander

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry owners of buildings in Henry street for permission to place an additional Step on their Stoops presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of sundry owners of [53] buildings in Henry Street for permission to place an additional step to their Stoops in order to enable them to enter their dwellings respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted for asmuch as that by the recent digging out and depressing the regulation of that street the doors of the dwellings are elevated to a greater height than is allowed by the Ordinances of this Board viz[t] five feet—Your Committee think it but just and proper that the

request of the Petitioners should be granted—And accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry owners of property on "the meadows" near the Manhattan Island that the regulation of the ground may be altered presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry owners of property on "the Meadows" near the Manhattan Island, that the regulation of those grounds may be altered and [54] reduced so as to carry the Waters on the surface to Mangin street only Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the regulation of that section ought not to be altered from that already adopted by this Board and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioners

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees of the South Baptist Church in Nassau Street presented the following Report

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees to the South Baptist Church in Nassau street praying to be released from the whole or a part of their Assessment beg leave to Report

That they have examined the prayer of the Petitioners in relation to the Assessment on said Church and that the Trustees do not complain as having been wrongfully Assessed but to the contrary they have been favored, They complain on inability and they are desirous that some measures may [55] be d[e]vised so that they may be relieved from the whole or *or* a part of their Assessment—Your Committee Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that your Committee do not feel themselves authorised to grant the prayer of the Petitioners and beg leave to be discharged from any further consideration on the subject

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
William W Mott
I Amerman
Edmund Smith
H B Bolster

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the subject of sub-dividing the Wood Inspection Districts presented the following Report together with a Law

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the subject of sub-dividing and equalizing the districts for the Inspection of Fire wood Respectfully Report.

That they have duly examined and considered the subject and are of opinion that as the inspection districts have remained unaltered for several years and as the extension of the City and increase of population has changed and extended the places of [56] landing of Wood, it is necessary to alter and equalize them so as to accommodate the Public therefore your Committee offer the following Law

John R Peters
John Shepherd
Isaac Brown
William H Ireland

Whereupon the report was approved and the Law was passed under the title of "A Law to amend the Law to regulate the sale and Inspection of Fire Wood" passed 30th April 1827

The same Committee to whom was referred sundry Petitions for the Office of Inspector of Fire wood presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips beg leave to Report that they have impartially considered the claims and fitness of the numerous Petitioners for the Office of Inspector of Fire wood and are unanimously of opinion that the following are competent and the most needy and deserving among the said applicants—They therefore recommend their appointment to fill the offices of Inspectors of Fire wood which are altered and constituted by a Law of this date and

that they be assigned to their respective districts in the following order Viz[t]

Sloan to be continued Inspector of the.....			13th	District
[57] present Inspector for the....			1st	Do
John T Blauvelt appointed for.....			14th	D°
Joseph Smith to be continued for.....			15th	D°
Tunis A Kuypers to be appointed for.....			16th	D°
John Crouter	"	"	17th	D°
Gerardus Riker	"	"	18th	D°
Jacob Van Norden.	"	"	19th	D°
Cornelius Chatterton	"	"	20th	D°
Isaac Torboss	"	"	21st	D°

Respectfully submitted

John R Peters
W[m] H Ireland
John Shepherd Jun[r]
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the persons therein named and recommended were appointed Inspectors of Fire wood for the Districts as therein mentioned.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petitions for and Remonstrances against removing the Hay Scales from Gouverneurs Slip to the foot of Stanton street presented a Report which [was] approved and the Resolution adopted

The Report was afterward called up reconsidered and referred back to the Committee

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of a number [58] of Hay Cartmen to have the rates of carting Hay increased presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of a number [58] of Hay Cartmen to have the rates of raised Respectfully Report

That they have investigated the subject and learn that a Law of the State passed last Session prohibits the taking of pay for Inspection by the Cartmen, and that the present rate of Carting viz Seventy five Cents is less than the average rates for thirty years past, therefore your Committee are of opinion that the rates of Carting Hay ought to be increased so as to be about equal to what they have hitherto

received (including the Inspection)—And offer the within draft of an Ordinance for the consideration of the Board

John R Peters
Isaac Brown
John Shepherd Junr
Wm H Ireland

Whereupon the Report was approved and the Law passed under the title of "A Law to amend the Law to regulate Carts and Cartmen" Law allows 87½ Cents

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth ward and the Street Commissioner to whom the within Petition was referred

[59] Respectfully Report

That they have examined the place referred to and are of opinion that a Well and Pump ought to be placed there and on account of the deep filling in at the lower end of Perry street it is not probable that good water can be obtained near West street—The following Resolution is submitted

Resolved that a Well be sunk and a Pump erected near the middle of the Block North side of Perry street between Washington and West street

John R Peters
I Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom had been referred the Report of the Chief Engineer on the subject of building Public Cisterns and a Remonstrance against the same, And to whom was referred back their Report on the same subject presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department beg leave to Report upon the subject of building Public Cisterns, This subject was brought before the Board by a Report of the Chief Engineer

Your Committee thereupon reported to the Board in favor of locating a number of Public [60] Cisterns, at different places in the upper part of the City, by Assessing the expense in the usual manner, The Report thus made together with a Remonstrance against building a Cistern at St Marks Church, were referred back to your Committee, and also a Resolution proposing to construct all Public Cisterns hereafter at the Public Expense

Your Committee are still of the opinion that the proposed Public Cisterns ought to be constructed by the ordinary mode of Assessing the expense upon the property in the vicinity benefitted thereby— Altho your Committee are aware that the expences attending these Assessments, are very great in proportion to the sum to be raised for the Cisterns, yet they cannot recommend the payment of the expence of building future Cisterns out of the Public Treasury.— Other cisterns in different parts of the City have been built and paid for by the people in the vicinity

This principle has been acted upon for a number of years; and the only reason now urged why it should be abandoned, is that the expences of these Assessments are too great in proportion to the amounts to be expended for the Cisterns

These expenses must necessarily amount to a certain sum, and cannot be reduced because the amount of the Cost of a Cistern is small.

But the other parts of the City have had to [61] pay for the Cisterns, as well as the expences of Assessments; And if it was a good reason why the public Treasury should pay for Cisterns, because they cost only about 500 dollars each, the same reason would apply to paving and regulating streets &c whenever the amount should not exceed the like amount

It does not follow because the expenses of assessing amount to nearly as much as the work to be assessed for, that therefore the Public Treasury ought to bear the expence, such a principle, if adopted, would impose upon the public a considerable amount annually which would greatly increase the annual expenditures of the City; and would probably lead hereafter to the payment out of the Public Treasury of all expenditures for which assessments are to be made. Your Committee consider that it would be inexpedient to abolish assessments for local improvements, and to substitute payments out of the County treasury because it would operate unjustly and unequally as to those parts of the City where assessments have been always paid for such improvements; and because it is at least doubtfull whether the Public would prefer direct annual taxes for improvements, rathar than the old mode of assessing those benefitted for the expences of such improvements. Continuing thus of their former opinion, as to the propriety of assessing the expense of constructing Public Cisterns upon the vicinity benefitted thereby, your Committee proceed [62] to the question whether the places at which they proposed to locate these Cisterns were the proper ones?

On this subject your Committee have duly reflected, And have bestowed the necessary attention upon it, not only as an important matter, but as requiring immediate attention—They have concluded that it is unnecessary to build the two proposed Cisterns at the Public School at the corner of Hudson and Barrow streets, there being already three other Cisterns proposed to be erected in that vicinity—With respect to the remonstrance against the proposed Cisterns at St Marks Church, your Committee do not consider the same sufficient—Cisterns are required in that neighbourhood, and can be constructed there, and ought to be without delay. Upon the whole it is believed by your Committee, from the best information which they could obtain, that a number of Public Cisterns are requisite, and ought to be immediately constructed, in order to provide against fires, and upon mature deliberation the following are recommended—The distances that the proposed places are situated from the River will shew the necessity of building these Cisterns—viz

	Distance from the River
Two at the Public School in Duane near Church St	1659 feet
Two at the Church in King Street near McDougal St	2211 "
Two at the corner of Amos & Herring Streets	1709 "
[63] One at the Methodist Church in Bedford near Arden street	1860 "
Two at the Church in Bleecker street near Broadway	4724 "
Two at St Marks Church in Stuyvesant street	2520 "
Two at the Church corner Broome & Ridge street	2200 "
One additional at Essex Market	3640 "
Two at the Baptist Church corner of Delancy & Christie Streets	4760 "
Two at the Friends Meeting House corner of Hester & Elizabeth Streets	2970 "

Whereupon your Committee most respectfully offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that it is expedient to have Public Cisterns made and constructed at the above mentioned places, and that the Street Commissioner prepare the necessary Ordinances therefor, and for appointing Assessors of the expense thereof—All which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
James Palmer

Which after considerable discussion was agreed to and the Resolution adopted—Alderman Peters gave notice of reconsideration—He also

presented the following which was referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature

Resolved that hereafter all Public Cisterns which may be requisite for extinguishing fires, shall be paid for out of the City Treasury, and [64] that the amount of the expence of the same shall be added to the next Annual Tax of each respective Ward where such Cisterns may have been made each Ward paying for Cisterns in said Ward

The Law Committee presented the following Report on subject of distribution of the Common School fund accompanied with a Law

The Law Committee beg leave to report the annexed Ordinance to the Board for regulating the distribution of the Common School fund of the City of New York, which has expired and requires to be re-enacted—Your Committee have made such alterations therein, as the existing state of the Laws require, viz[t]—The Title of the Free school is altered to that of the Public School society; the Act of the Legislature regulating this subject being revised, the Title is accordingly altered in the proposed Ordinance—The second section of the former Ordinance, which regulated the admission of free Scholars for gratuitous education, is wholly omitted, as inapplicable to the present system upon which our Public Schools are conducted

All scholars are now regarded and treated as pay Scholars—These are the only material alterations of the Old Ordinance

The Ordinance ought to be passed in order that the School fund for [65] the year may be distributed

All which is respectfully submitted

Thomas Bolton
Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
W Seaman

Whereupon the Report was approved an[d] the Law passed under the Title of "A Law regulating the distribution of the Common School fund of the City of New York.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Secretary of the Common Schools stating that according to Law it is necessary the Common Council should pay to the Commissioners of School Money of the City funds the sum of $10,274^{6}/_{100}$ &c presented the following Report

The Finance Committee Respectfully Report on the communication from the Secratary of the Common Schools of this City—That it

becomes necessary, according to Law, to pay to the Commissioners of School Money of this City the sum of $10,274 69/100 being a sum equal to that paid for the same purpose by the State The State having paid that sum the County is now called on for a like sum

Your Committee therefore respectfully offer for the consideration of the Board the following [66] Resolution—Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of the said Commissioners of School Monies for the sum of Ten thousand two hundred & seventy four 69/100 dollars

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of James Valentine and also Henry Valentine for Butchers Licences presented the following Report

The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions of James Valentine for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall No 11 Catharine Market relinquished to him by Isaac Valentine—And of Henry Valentine for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall No 8 Grand street Market at present Vacant

Respectfully Report

That the above named Petitioners are well recommended, the Committee are therefore of opinion that the Prayer of the said [67] Petitioners ought to be granted

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
William Seaman
Samuel Stevens
Abm M Valentine

Which was approved and Accepted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Varick for a Butchers Licence and to occupy Stall No 7 Grand street Market presented the following Report.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of John Varick for a Butchers Licence and for permission to occupy Stall No 7 in

Grand street Market relinquished to him by David Perrin Respectfully Report

That the said John Varick is well recommended as a proper person to receive a Licence but as your Committee understand there is some back Rent unpaid on said Stall, they are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted upon the payment of said Back Rent

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens
Ab^{m} M Valentine

Which was approved and Accepted

[68] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Asa W *Wasson* [Wesson] and John Davenport for a grant of Stalls in Spring street Market presented the following Report against the same

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of Asa W Wasson and John Davenport for a grant of Stalls in the Spring street Market Respectfully Report

That there are no Stalls vacant in said Market, the Committee therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Petitioners have leave to withdraw their Petition

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens
Ab^{m} M Valentine

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of Aaron Myers H Hebberd. J Bartine William Wasson & Richard Demilt presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of Aaron Myers Henry Hebard John Bartine [69] William Wasson and Richard M Demill to be appointed City Guagers have had the same under consideration and respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Aaron Myers be and he is hereby appointed a City Guager in the place of John E Nexen deceased

John Lozier
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and Aaron Myers was accordingly appointed

The Special Committee on the Alms House to whom was referred at the last Meeting the subject of purchasing Blackwells Island presented the following Report

The Special Committee who were Instructed to contract for the purchase of Blackwells Island for a sum not exceeding 32,500 Dollars, beg leave respectfully to Report.

That they have performed that duty and herewith submit the contract they have entered into.

The Titles are in the hands of the Counsel for the purpose of Completeing the Conveyances—It will be perceived by the agreement that on or before the 15th Inst (but which has since been extended to the 31st the Corporation are to pay Mr Blackwell the sum of 15.000 Dollars and give him a Bond for [70] 17.500 dollars with Interest payable quarterly at the rate of 6 per Cent, The Bond being payable by either party giving 6 months notice to the other

Your Committee understand from the agent of Mr Blackwell, that he wishes to have 14.000 Dollars (from which is to be deducted 100 Dollars paid him by your Committee) and a Bond of the Corporation for the balance

It will also be perceived by reference to the agreement, that the Corporation are entitled to possession of a part of said Island forthwith, your Committee would therefore suggest the propriety of immediate measures for the erection of the necessary buildings and submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized during the recess of the Board to issue a Warrant to James Blackwell for such sum as your Committee may direct not exceeding 15,000 Dollars; and a Bond of the Corporation upon the conditions agreed on for the ballance of the purchase money of Blackwells Island

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Alms House be authorised to take possession of said Island forthwith

Resolved that a Special Committee consisting of Seven members be authorised to cause a Map of said Island to be made, with the lines of High and Low water mark, and [71] with the elevations; and to

report the plan of a suitable building for a prison, together with the best mode of building, and a proper site for the same

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
Thomas T Woodruff
R Riker
William S Coe

The same being read was approved and the Resolution adopted— The President appointed agreeably to the last Resolution the following Special Committee Alderman Mott Mr Bolton Ald Ireland Lamb Ostrander Woodruff Valentine

The Alderman and Assistant of the 2d Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Edmund Simpson for permission to erect a Portico in front of the Pa[r]k Theatre presented a Report on the same which was read and laid on the Table for further consideration.

[72] The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, whereupon the resignations were accepted and the appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 15

George H Anderson Hatter 64 Mott Street
Vc Harman Hinman—Time expired

No 16

Zephania Whipple Carpenter Grand Street
Vc George Williams Resigned

No 21

Thomas H Swarts Taylor 34 Eldridge St
Vc Henry Minugh Time expired

No 27

James Young—Resigned

No 31.

Isaac Van Vorst—Carpenter 154 Wooster St
vc James S Wells Resigned
John Crawford—Grocer. Church Cor Leonard
vc Cornelius Winant—Resigned

N° 33.

Moses Kipp—Grocer 440 Cherry S^t^
v^c^ Stephen Barker Appointed Warden

N° 44

Lewis S Dodd—Brass & Copper Smith N° 60 Willet Street
v^c^ Thadeus Bell Resigned

[73] Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 1

John M^c^Crea Cordwainer 19 Old Slip
V^c^ Alpheus Johnson—Time Expired

Thomas Kennedy Gilder 53 Broad S^t^
v^c^ James Ferris—Resigned

N° 2

Harvey Buchanan Grocer N° 2 Ferry S^t^
v^c^ John J De Forest—Resigned
Hugh Spear D°
David Tucker D°

N° 4

William Johnson Rigger 30 Madison S^t^
v^c^ Palmer Clark—Time Expired

The Counsel presented the following Resolution for opening and extending Lewis street from North to Eighth street

The Counsel respectfully submits the within formal Resolutions to the Board agreeably to the Report of the Street Committee heretofore adopted by the Board—respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

I. Resolved, that it is desirable for the Public convenience to open and extend Lewis street in the Eleventh Ward of this City, upon its present lines and of its present width Northerly from North street to Eighth street as the same is laid down on a Map [74] entitled "Map shewing the land to be taken for the extending of Lewis street from North to Eighth Street New York 30th June 1828 surveyed by Daniel Ewen City Surveyor" And the same is hereby accordingly ordered and directed to be done under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act authorising the extension of certain Streets in the City of New York" passed April 19, 1828

II Resolved that the Counsel take the necessary measures to carry the preceeding Resolution into effect: and that the Petition in the

premises to the Supreme Court be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Which were adopted.

The Counsel presented the following Resolutions for opening and Continuing Cedar street from William to Pearl street

The Counsel respectfully submits the within formal resolutions to the Board according to the Report of the Street Committee heretofore adopted by the Board

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

I. Resolved, that it is desirable for the Public Convenience to open and continue Cedar street from William street to Pearl street in the first Ward of the City of New York of the width of Thirty five feet. according to the plan and on the lines laid down on a Map [75] entitled "Map of property required to be taken for the extending of Cedar street from William to Pearl street" Surveyed July 1828 by J F Bridges City Surveyor (the same being a Street not laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and roads in the City of New York and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807) And that the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done; And that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the premises, in order that the same may be carried into effect

II. Resolved that the Petition to the Supreme Court in the above matter be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Which were adopted

The Counsel presented the following Report accompanied with Two Deeds

The Counsel herewith presents for execution, two Deeds, one to Susan Drake the wife of Jacob Drake for a gore of land fronting on Rosevelt Street and the other to Joseph Drake for the use of his wife and her heirs—These two deeds are made out according to the orders of the Board excepting that the said Jacob and Joseph Drake wished the same to be made to [76] their wives as aforesaid

All which is respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Whereupon the Report was approved and the Deeds directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For paving the Side walks of Washington street from Charlton street to Hammond street and Peter Stagg James Fairlie and Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors

For paving side walks of Sixth street from M[c]Dougal street to Christopher street and Abraham Bloodgood Peter Pinckney and Thomas Herring were appointed Assessors

For repaving Bridge street from Broad street to White Hall street and Abraham Lefoy John B Thorp and John Lockwood appointed Assessors

For building a Drain or Sewer in North street from Avenue D to the East River and Alpheus Sherman Charles Dusenberry and James Barclay were appointed Assessors

[77] For a Well and Pump in Perry street between Washington and West streets and John Targee Abraham Baudouine and Shivers Parker were appointed Assessors

Also For making West street from Hammond street to Jane street by the owners and proprietors
Which was approved and passed.

A Communication was received from the Street Commissioner stating that a piece of Ground was left on opening Nassau street and remained to be disposed of as the Common Council should direct, was read and referred to the Finance Committee

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for widening Nassau street Whereupon a Warrant was directed to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for opening 9[th] Street from Broadway to the 6[th] Avenue Whereupon a Warrant was directed to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance for correcting a Nuisance by filling in certain Lots owned by a non Resident situated on the East side [78] of Mulberry between Prince and Houston streets the expences of which are to remain a Lien on the property, Which having been read was passed

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in Lots on the West side of the 6[th] Avenue between Fifth street and Fourth street

the expences of which are to remain a Lien on the property, which having been read was passed

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the Correction of nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No	1. A Smith	Owner	No	98	West St	A Lot
	2. J Ridgway	do	No	5	Little Water	Do
	3. J R Livingston	Do		100	Anthony	Do
	4. Do	Do		28	Do	Do
	5. Do	Do		26	Do	Do
	6. Do	Do		24	Do	Do
	7. Abel Brush	Do		94	West St	Do
	8. Chs Trinder	Do		84	do	Do
	9. Do	Do		83	Do	Do
	10. Mr White	Do			Broome & Pitt	Do
	11. Pr Martin	Executor	No	102	Chapel St	Do
	12 Sl W Howley	owner	No	99	West St	Do
	13. John *Sutfon*[Sutphen]	Executor		21	John St	Do
	14. [79] Lyal Weeks	Owner		90	North St	Do
	15. B Winthrop	do			Ludlow St	Do
	16. Peter Farmer	Do		234	Elizabeth St	Do
	17. Jno H Clinch	Do			Mulberry cor of Spring	Do
	18. McIntire & Yates	Do		104½	Broad St	Do
	19. Hy F Edmonds	Do		17	Watts	Do
	20. Abm Quick	Do		54	Broad St	Do
	21. Tunis Quick	Do		41	Broad St	Do
	22. Peter Martin	Executor		37	Augustus St	A privy
	23. Js Ridgeway	owner		60	Green St	Do

George Cuming
City Inspector

Which was passed

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized to borrow (under the direction of the Finance Committee) the sum of Fifteen thousand dollars at an Interest of Five per Cent per Annum payable in one year for the purpose of paying part of the purchase money for Blackwells Island

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to procure and report facts [80] and their opinion as to the most approved mode of constructing Docks & Piers of Stone and also as to the expediency of hereafter rebuilding the Public Docks

and Piers and of constructing such new ones as may be required of Stone instead of Wood

Alderman Peters p[r]esented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to report upon the expediency of regulating and paving West Street from Barrow street to Hammond street And also of regulating and paving Hammond street from Washington street to Bulk head at the foot of said Street—Also of regulating and paving Barrow street from Washington street to the Bulk head at West street Also for regulating and paving Art street and Eighth street and Ninth street from Broadway to the Bowery

Alderman Randolph presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the side walks be paved in King street between McDougal and Greenwich streets

[81] Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on the Fire Department to enquire into the expediency of an Arrangment with the Manhattan Company whereby the Water works of said Company may be so connected with the Public Cisterns where it may be Practicable as to furnish an ample supply of Water in said Cisterns at all times

Alderman Woodruff presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee with powers

Resolved that the Street Commissioner cause a Map of the 14th Ward to be made and deposited in the Street Commissioners Office

Alderman Lozier presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Lands and Places with a request that they Report the probable expence of the Improvement

Resolved that the Committee on Lands and Places be authorized to put the Park in order simular to the grounds on the Battery

It was moved that a Member be added to the Committee on Cleaning streets which [82] was agreed to and the President appointed Alderman Valentine a member of that Committee

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Act 30th June	$12.128.02
Recd for Streets	22.256.23
" " Tax of 1827	4.800.
" " Rents	2262.93
" " Tavren Licences	2000.

Rec^{d} for Commutation Alien passengers	$780.
" " Justices Courts	490.15
" " Wells & Pumps	206.90
" " Mayoralty fees	147.
	$45.071.23

44 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart—Watch 1st Dis^{t}	1387.75
Hibberd & Astin do 2^{d}	945.
Stagg & Herring do 3^{d}	945.
John Sidell First Marshall 1 Q^{r} Salary 1 July	225.
J. G. Bogert Inspector of Hacks 1 Q^{r} 2^{d} July	200.
J Morton Clerk of C C for Hack Act^{s} & postage	51.53
W^{m} Rhodes 21 days Sunday service 7 Ward to 1 July	31.50
J Thomas 20 do 11th Ward 9 July	30.
Benj^{n} Robinson 20 do " "	30.
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo—1 July	80.67
P Amerman Clerk 3 Markets " "	52.50
[83] Ch^{s} E OBryan Clerk issuing Tavern Licences 2 days	4.
J Dunn & Sons mak^{g} & repair^{g} Lamps 1 Q^{r} 1 July	518.12
Ab^{m} Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 13 July	153.01
Enquirer Subscript^{n} 6 Mo 6 July	50.
Statesman 6 Mo 1 July	50.
Geo T Trimble Treas^{r} Public School Society Am^{t} Lottery Licences re^{d} by the Mayor & paid into Treasury 21 June	3250.
D T Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo 1 July	31.25
Owen Smith filling Lots near 6th S^{t} be^{tn} Avenue C & D Lien A S Pell	123.90
J Walker filling 3 Lots Arden S^{t} Lien T A Emmett & P Smith	66.80
Thos R Ludlum Surveys &c 6 Months 1 July	705.06
Daniel Ewen do 3 " "	465.85
Isaac T Ludlum do 6 " "	323.88
Edward Doughty do 3 " "	282.87
J F Bridges do 1 Year "	207.15
E W Bridges do 6 months "	100.62
J Pinkerton bal repav Greenwich S^{t} fm Courtlandt to Canal S^{t}	504.37
H Smith bal repav Broadway fm Art to 10th S^{t}	405.20
Estate of C^{s} Mooney Act^{t} repav Grand b^{n} Wooster & Laurens S^{t}	120.
Estate C^{s} Mooney Act^{t} Cross walks 8 Ward	100.
H Smith repair Intersections 4 Ward	14.20
R Graves S^{t} Com^{r} Act^{t} working 8 Avenue	500.
R Graves do Act^{t} repairs Lands & Places	250.
T Cumming for Earth on Washington Square 9 Ward	158.11
P. Mc^{G}linn bal Well 9th S^{t} near Bowery	39.42
J Gallagher Ju^{r} bal Well Pitt S^{t} b^{n} Stanton & North S^{t}	22.
J Gallagher J^{r} 1st pay^{t} Well Sullivan near Amity	25.87

[84] J McBarren 1s payt Well Suffolk near North St.....	20.58	
G Lovett Atty for Wm Hockman Actt building Pier front St Prison	3000.	
John M Bloodgood Super Streets ordered 30 June.....	500.	
L Murray Treasr City Dispensary for Vaccine Deptt 1 Year 16 March	600.	
A Burtis Supr Alms House & Clerk Salary to 1 July.....	476.71	
A Burtis Supr " for Alms House.....	5000.	
A Burtis Supr " for Working Convicts.....	1000.	23.047.92
	Balance	$22.023.31

Board adjourned to Monday the 28th Instant at 5 OClock P M

[85] In Common Council July 28. 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
William W Mott	Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland	Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb	Samuel Stevens
William S Coe	Isaac Brown
John R Peters	John Shepherd Junr
Gideon Ostrander	William Seaman
Lemuel Pittman	Isaac Amerman
Effingham Schieffelin	Henry B Bolster
Abraham M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Oliver Waldron for the Office of Wood Inspector at Manhattanville in the place of Captain Vanosdale Resigned was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips He was afterward on Resolution presented by Alderman Schieffelin appointed

[86] A Petition of Philip J Schuyler, of John Targee and others, of William Lamb and others, and of M Myers and others praying that Canal street may be opened from Pump Street to the Bowery, were read and severally referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of a number of Inhabitants of 9th Ward against the passage of a Law relative to Public Cisterns was presented read & laid on the Table—It was afterwards called up and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of Jonathan Lyon and of R M Lawrence & others relative to the paving [of] Hudson street and praying the same be delayed

for a time sufficient for the removal of surplus Earth from Hudson Assylum and Bank streets and the Great Kill Road was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Thomas Pringle praying for an extension of time to pay certain Assessments due on his property was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of James McDonnell [87] praying for the remission of a fine for driving a Horse and Cart without a Cartman License was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Samuel Martin praying for the remission of a fine for driving a Horse and Cart without a Cartmans Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Lewis Webb for the appointment of City Guager was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of the Inhabitants in Henry street praying that a Pump may be erected at the expence of the Corporation as the Pump at N° 40 Henry street had been filled in, in consequence of the late improvements in said Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Mathew Byrne and John P Barker for leave to exchange Stalls N° 36 and N° 34 in Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Memorial of Mr Charles King Editor of the New York American praying that he may be allowed to take Copies of certain expenditures [88] of the Common Council particularly those relating to the Canal Celebration, the Paulding Monument and the Sing-Sing excursion for the purpose of examining the same, and of commenting upon the same in the Public Prints was read.

A Motion was made that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition—After considerable discussion the question being taken thereon the Ayes & Nayes were called for the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Lozier Coe Peters Ostrander Schieffelin Valentine Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Seaman Amerman Macneven 15

In the Negative Ald Mott Ireland Lamb, Mr Stevens Bolster Palmer 6

So it was carried in the Affirmative and it was Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition

[89] A Remonstrance of a number of persons against repaving Duane street between Hudson & Greenwich street was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of a number of persons owners and Occupants of property, and also of a number of Masters of Vessels from Dutchess County lying in the vicinity of the foot of Cedar street praying that measures may be taken to have Fire wood which now incumbers said place removed, was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Edward Lyde and John M^cComb surviving Trustees of the late Henry Spingler praying for an extension of time to pay Assessment due for regulating 13^th Street from Broadway to the Hudsons River was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against the building of Public Cisterns in front of the Dutch Church in King street was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of the owners and Occupants of property in the vicinity of the Park Theatre praying that permission may be granted E Simpson and others to erect a Portico in front of the same was [90] read and laid on the Table it was afterward called up on the Report on the subject being considered.

A Petition of Joseph Horn and Samuel Wigton to be appointed Keeper of Washington Parade Ground were read and laid on the Table

A Communication from M^r George Catlin Offering to sell to the Corporation the Portrait of Thomas Jefferson was read and referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences

A Petition of John B Thorp on behalf of the Executors of the Estate of James Murray deceased respecting a nuisance occasioned by the Sewer in Chapple street corner of Anthony street was read and referred to the Canal Committee

A Petition of Eli Hart and Goold Hoyt praying to have the Boundary of their Water Grant definitively settled was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of a number of persons praying that Inspectors of paving Stone and flagging may be appointed was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices

[91] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Fourth street filled in from Avenue D to 100 feet below Lewis street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed *the* Petition to have Fourth street filled in from Avenue D to one hundred feet below Lewis street respectfully Report that in their opinion the

prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Captain A Pa[r]tridge to have a part of 134th Street closed presented the following Report

The Street Committee respectfully

Report

on the Petition of Alden Partridge for permission to close that part of 134th street which lies between the 5th and 6th Avenues, that in the opinion of your Committee the Corporation of this City have no right to grant such priviledge, forasmuch as that Street has not been [92] ceeded or otherwise vested in the Common Council and also, as that street is laid out as one of the Streets on the plan of the City it cannot be closed but by an Act of the Legislature of this State.

Your Committee deem it inexpedient for this Corporation to interfere in the premises and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the side walks of Henry street between Oliver and Rutgers street presented the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the side walks of Henry street between Oliver and Rutgers street respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks in that Street require paving and therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks in Henry street be paved from Oliver street to Rutgers street

[93] Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of flagging the side walks of Burrows street between Hudson and Herring street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of flagging the side walks of Burrows street between Hudson street and Herring street Report that in their opinion the walks of that Street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the side walks of Burrows street be flagged from Hudson to Herring street

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of Repaving Water street from Wall street to the Old Slip presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Water street from Wall street to the Old Slip Respectfully Report that [94] in their Opinion that street ought to be repaved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Water street be repaved from Wall street to the Old Slip

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Second street from Avenue C to D presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Second street from Avenue C to Avenue D Report, that in their opinion that part of Second street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Second street be paved from Avenue C to Avenue D

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Duane Street repaved from Hudson street to Greenwich street [95] presented a Report in favor of the same which was read and laid on the Table.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petitions for and Remonstrances against opening and continuing Exchange Place to Wall street presented a Report in favor of the same which was read and laid on the Table.

The Finance Committee on subject of Petition of Trustees of Episcopal Theological Seminary for a Water Grant on the North River between 20th & 21st Streets presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of the Trustees of the General Episcopal Theological Seminary for a Water Grant, on the North River between 20th & 21st Streets

Your Committee on consulting the Street Commissioner, find that a grant can only be made for 200 feet from the West line of the 10th Avenue, upon the condition that the Corporation shall have the use of the Bulkhead whenever they may require the same for a Public Slip, the land and Water outside of said 200 feet being one of the Reservations for a public basin—Your Committee therefore respectfully Report the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a Water Grant to the said Seminary, upon [96] the like rates of Quit, and terms, as are contained in the Grant to George Rapelye between 16th & 17th Streets and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board they paying expences

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Lands & Places on the subject of improving the grounds in the Park presented the following Report.

The Committee on Lands and Places charged with causing the Park to be put in order simular to the grounds on the Battery and to report to the Board the probable expence

Respectfully Report

That the Street Commissioner has made by order of the Com-

mittee the proper estimate on the foregoing Resolution and states the expence will not exceed Fifteen hundred Dollars

The Report of the Street Commissioner is herewith submitted

Thomas Bolton
Wm Js Macneven
I Amerman

Which was read and Accepted.

[97] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joshua S Place occupant of Stall No 11 Essex Market and of Alexander Brown occupant of Stall No 4 Grand street Market for permission to exchange Stalls presented the following Report

The Market Committee on the Petition of Joshua S Place occupying Stall No 11 Essex Market and of Alexander Brown occupying Stall No 4 Grand Street Market

Respectfully Report

That the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted

Anthony Lamb
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved

The Committee on Cleaning streets presented the following Report on Annual Account of Superintendant accompanied with said Account

The Committee on Cleaning Streets beg leave to Report to the Common Council

That in obedience to an Ordinance directing them to examine the accounts of the Superintendant and to Exhibit a Statement of the affairs of that Department beg leave to State that they have made the necessary examinations and herewith present the Accounts from that Department for the year [98] ending 1st May last, from which it will appear that there is a Ballance against the Common Council for the last year including depreciation on Stock..... $1213.32

Paid by Chairman Finance Committee sweeping public property & intersections during said Period..... 4880.94

Making all the expences incurred the last year for cleaning the City $6094.26 and although the sum may be considered large, when the balance from the Superintendants Department is taken into view— Yet your Committee conceive it to be their duty to present the whole deficiency to the Board, in order that a full statement may be presented to their view.

Another statement herewith presented will shew the amount received in that Department since its first establishment Viz[t]

Cash received by Superintendant from Common Council.....	$12.588.98
Manure Sold and Money Collected.....	47.113.26
	$59.702.24
Paid out for expenditures in the said Department during said period	47.769.83
	$11.932.41

leaving a Ballance of outstanding Debts due the Common Council of $11.932.41/100 a sum much larger than was anticipated by your Committee and which they beg leave respectfully [99] to offer to your particular consideration

And your Committee would suggest whether it would not be advisable to adopt some method to liquidate and collect the several amounts due the Board.

Your Committee beg leave further to State, that they are satisfied every thing has been done in the Superintendants Department for keeping the City Clean and give general Satisfaction

They therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the accounts be filed and that they be printed for the use of the Members

All which is respectfully submitted

Gideon Ostrander
H B Bolster
Ab[m] M Valentine
James Palmer

Which was read and Approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following Report on authorised Loan of $100,000 the purchase money for the State Prison

The Comptroller respectfully Reports to the Board, that agreeably to a resolution of the Common Council of the 30[th] of June last, authorising a Loan of One hundred Thousand Dollars, for the [100] purpose of paying to the State of New York the purchase money for the State Prison at Greenwich the same was made with the Bank for Savings in this City, at an Interest of Five per Cent per Annum payable quarterly.

The money was to be paid according to Agreement with the Commissioners on the part of the State, on or before the 20[th] July; And as no authority existed to issue a Warrant for this purpose, during the recess of the Board, it was deemed advisable, on receiving the money from the Savings Bank, to pay the same immediately in the Manhattan

Bank to the Credit of the State of New York without passing it through the Treasury—Duplicate receipts were obtained for the said One hundred thousand dollars and handed to Stephen Allen Esq[r] one of the Commissioners, who delivered the Deed for the State Prison and Land connected therewith,

Which Deed was forthwith lodged in the Registers Office to be Recorded

The above mentioned bussiness was transacted on the 19[th] Instant

Respectfully submitted

G. N Bleecker Compt[r]

Which was read, accepted and directed to be filed

[101] The Counsel of the Board presented the following Report on, and Certificates of, Land sold for Taxes to James E DeKay and John Hance

The Counsel herewith submits for execution two Certificates of Land sold for Assessments &c which are made out agreeably to the directions of the Street Commissioner Viz[t]

One to John Hance for a Lot on the Southerly side of Water street between Catharine and Market streets and running through the Block to South street being 25 feet on Water street 25 feet on South street & 145 feet in length on each side being charged or Assessed as belonging [to] Mary C P Macomb subject to a Quit Rent of $4,^{7}\%_{00}$ to the Corporation from the 26[th] March 1825 The same having been sold at Auction for 100 years from the 24[th] June 1830 for the sum of $3270\ ^{42}\%_{00}$ to said Hance

One to James E DeKay for a Lot at the Easterly side of West street at the corner of Duane Street being 59 feet 6 inches on West street, 81 feet 5 inches in the rear & 59 feet six inches on Caroline street, and being charged or assessed as belonging to the heirs of J Weldon—The same having been sold at auction for 500 years from the 24[th] June 1830 for the sum of $4815\ ^{13}\%_{00}$ to the said DeKay

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was approved and the Certificates directed to be executed.

[102] The Street Commissioner presented the following Returns of Delinquents whereupon Warrants were directed to be issued to the Collectors thereof Viz[t]

For opening Herring street at Christopher street and Warrant ordered to issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof.

For a Well and Pump in Downing street and Warrant ordered to issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof

For a Well and Pump in Greenwich street and a Warrant ordered to issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof

For regulating Greenwich Lane and a Warrant ordered to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

For regulating the Sixth Avenue from Greenwich Lane to Thirteenth street and a Warrant ordered to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

For building a Sewer in Beaver street between Broadway and Broad street and a Warrant ordered to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

[103] For regulating Tenth street, from Fifth to Sixth Avenue and a Warrant ordered to issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof

Also the Final Return of Delinquents for forming a Public place in the Ninth ward (Washington Parade) whereupon the Lands were directed to be advertised and sold agreeably to Law

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For repaving Water street from Wall street to Old Slip and Abraham LeFoy John B Thorp and John Leonard appointed Assessors

For paving the Side walks of Burrows street from Hudson to Greenwich street and Alpheus Sherman Charles Dusenberry and James Barclay were appointed Assessors.

For repaving the Side walks of Henry street from Oliver to Rutgers street and Joshua Hatfield Pine Hopkins and George C Hawthorn were appointed Assessors.

For regulating Fourth street from Avenue D to one hundred feet below Lewis street and Thomas R Smith John Slidell & Corn[s] Harsen Appointed Assessors.

[104] For paving Second street from Avenue B to North street and Abraham Dally David Lyon and Samuel Purdy were appointed Asesssors.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For Repaving Water street from Roosevelt Street to James Slip and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For regulating and paving Scammel street from Grand street *street* to Lombardy street with the objection of W. L. Simers which was read,

the Assessment was confirmed and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For repaving Catharine Slip from Cherry street to South street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For a Well and Pump in Sullivan near Amity street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For a drain in Stone street and Nicholas C Eeveritt appointed Collector

[105] For a Well and Pump in Suffolk near North street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For pitching and paving Wooster street from fourth to Sixth street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For pitching and regulating the Fifth Avenue from 11th to 13th Street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which was read, The Resignations accepted and Appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 2

Edward Newkirk Shoemaker 357 Grand St

Vc Samuel L Lord Time Expired

No 4

James Willett Turner No 165 Greenwich St

Vc John Turner Junr Resigned

No 11.

Benjamin Simonson Cordwainer Water St

Vc William F Micheau Resigned.

Jonas Colon Baker 113 Eldridge St

Vc Thomas G Talmage Resigned

No 17

John B Haskins Sail Maker 51 Roosevelt St

Vc Francis Baptist Time Expired

[106] No 25

Edward Franklin Accountant 296 Broome St

Vc Bollis Colgate Resigned

Charles H Haswell Accountant 30 Warren St

Vc Frederick A Guion Appd Warden

William Yellott Merchant Bowery

Vc Charles R. Hatfield Resigned

N° 33

Alexander M^cDonald Ship wright Cor Lewis & Stanton S^t
V^c Jeremiah W Elliot Expelled for neglect of duty

N° 42

James Brown—Grocer Orchard & Hester S^t
V^c Henry C Hawk Resigned

N° 44

John Skidmore Ship Carpenter Lewis S^t near 4^th S^t
V^c Rinaldo Gage Not of Age

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Viz^t

N°	1. W^m J^s Mavneven	Owner	Twelfth S^t	A Lot
	2. R^d Riker	D°	D°	D°
	3. G Buck	D°	D°	D°
	4. J Lorillard	D°	D°	D°
	5. Geo W Murry	D°	D°	D°
	6. T^s A Emmett	D°	D°	D°
	7. [107] E. W. King	D°	D°	D°
	8. Ja^s Briar	D°	D°	D°
	9. S Arden	D°	D°	D°
	10. H Reilley	D°	D°	D°
	11. G R Champlin	D°	D°	D°
	12. J Ordronneux	D°	D°	D°
	13. And^w Smith	D°	D°	D°
	14. Estate of Jn° Agnew	D°	D°	D°
	15. J^s Pringle	D°	D°	D°
	16. Jn° Rogers	D°	D°	D°
	17. R^t Mathison	D°	Mott S^t	D°
	18. J^s Reid	D°	1^st Avenue	D°
	19 P^r Ogilvie	D°	Sheriff S^t	D°
	20. S^l S Burr	D°	Ridge S^t	D°
	21. *Keer* [Kerr] & King	D°	Twelfth S^t	D°
	22. W^m Neale	D°	Fifth S^t	D°
[	23 P^p Hone	D°	Laurens S^t	Do]
[	24 W^m Slamm	D°	Essex S^t	Do]
	25. P^p Hone	D°	Bleecker S^t	D°
	26. F^s Depau	D°	D°	D°
	27. R C Wortendyke	D°	D°	D°
	28. E Minturn	D°	Wooster S^t	D°
	29. M Livingston	D°	Ridge S^t	D°

Geo. Cuming City Insp^r

Which were passed

Alderman Peters agreeably to notice given at the last meeting, moved that the Board now reconsider the vote given adopting the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department on constructing [108] Public Cisterns.—The question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative, so the Board refused to reconsider

The Report of the Alderman and Assistant of the 2d Ward and Street Commissioner on the Petition of Edmund Simpson for permission to erect a Portico in front of the Park Theatre which was laid on the Table the 14th Inst was now called up and read as follows

The Alderman and Assistant of the Second Ward and the Street Commissioner, to whom was referred the within Petition of Edmund Simpson praying permission to erect a Portico in front of the Park Theatre over the Side Walk not exceeding Five feet

Respectfully Report

That they have ascertained that the proposed projection will not be attended with any injury or inconvenience to the Public or to the owners of property adjoining and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted

Jacob Wyckoff
R Graves

Upon the question of agreeing to the Report [109] a Division having been called by Mr Palmer the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Ireland Lozier Schieffelin Mr Bolton Wyckoff Stevens Brown Seaman Amerman Macneven 11.

In the Negative Ald Mott Lamb Coe Peters Ostrander Valentine Woodruff Mr Shepherd Bolster Palmer 10

So it was carried in the Affirmative—Mr Palmer gave notice of reconsideration

Alderman Ostrander presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that the Comptroller report a Warrant in favor of the Keeper of the City Hall for Four hundred dollars for the purpose of purchasing fuel.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the expediency [110] of having Goerck street between Broome and Delancy street filled up regulated and paved.

Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to Report on the expediency of repaving that part of Greenwich street lying between Charlton and Christopher Street

Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Watch Committee

Resolved that an Additional Watch be stationed at Greenwich Market and likewise in Carmine street near Varick street

Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Repairs

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs have the Wells on Washington Parade Ground cleaned out and Pumps placed in the same

Mr Stevens presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is the right of [111] every Citizen of New York who contributes to the Public funds, to examine and take abstracts from the Accounts in the Comptrollers Office shewing the expenditure of Public Monies, provided that in so doing they do not interrupt the bussiness of that Office.

After some discussion a motion was made to lay the same on the Table. The question being taken thereon and a Division being called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Lamb Lozier Coe Ostrander Schieffelin Valentine Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Seaman Macneven 14

In the Negative Ald Mott Ireland Peters Mr Stevens Amerman Bolster Palmer 7

So it was carried in the Affirmative

Mr Macneven presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee [112] on Lands & Places

Resolved that it be referred to a Committee to Report to this Board a proper Site for the Monument voted to our late fellow Citizen Thomas Addis Emmett.

Alderman Ostrander presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Watch Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Watch Committee to enquire into the necessity of placing a Watchman at the corner of Tenth street and Avenue D.

Alderman Schieffelin presented the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted

Resolved that Oliver Waldron be appointed Inspector of Wood for the 22d District

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 14th Inst	$22.023.31
Recd for loan of J W Hardenbrook	15.000.00
" " Streets	13.979.24
" " Rents	1.172.56
" " Tavren Licences	1000.
" " Justices Courts	814.59
" " Mayoralty fees	90.
[113] Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised 19th May on Actt	18.000.
	$72.079.70

67 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart—Watch 1st Dist		1386.
Astin & Hibbard " 2d "		945.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "		945.
Geo: B Smith Asst Street Comr 1 Qr Salary 15 July		375.
D D Williamson Messenger 1 Qr 26 July		80.55
Thos Cornell Sunday Service 14 Ward 15 days to 21st July		22.50
P Embury sundries at the reception of Mr Munroe		14.82
C Jennings Dinner	4 July	1090.74
Saml Kip Junr Groceries	Do	150.70
P. W. Engs wine	Do	257.83
Miles Hitchcock do	Do	98.50
Peter Embury do	Do	18.
Nathl Paulding Do	Do	3.50
R L Ludlow Do	Do	2.
James Burns sundries	Do	59.44
Moses Burns—services	Do	56.25
Jacob Hays for 21 Peace Officers	Do	63.
A B Martling for 26 Bell Ringers	Do	39.
Thos Dilks—Music	Do	30.
D D Williamson sundry Charges	Do	10.75
H C Bunce Ice	Do	8.75
J Cox Chief Engineer 1 Qr Salary 1 July		200.
Saml Judd 38 Casks Oil		1168.56
[114] New York Gas light Compy Lighting Broadway &c 1 Year 4 July		515.
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 27 July		127.37
J Ahern & D D Williamson preparing List of Grand Jurors 1828 & 1829		50.
J Wood Physician Bellevue Hospital 1 Qr Salary 1 July		375.
Wm Gee posting Bills to 16 July		49.50
James Blackwell on Actt purchase	Blackwells Island	13.900.
Ald Mott Amt advanced Jas Blackwell on Actt	Do	100.
Commissioners School Monies for 1828 ordered 14 July		10.274.69

Wm H Falls Atty for S Roe awd widening Herring at Christr St				3459.50
Stephen Roe	Do	Do	"	1040.50
Alexander Gunn	Do	Do	"	3000.
J Fleming Atty for J Tu[r]ner do		Do	"	450.
Wm Patterson	Do	Do	"	250.
S Fargay repav & flaggs around Catharine Market				607.98
T Cumming Actt reg 13th St fm Broadway to Hudson River				2800.
T Cummings Actt reg 6th Avenue fm Greenwich Lane to 13th St				2400.
Jacob B Taylor Actt reg Greenwich Lane fm 6th Avenue to 13th Street				1800.
H Smith Actt repav Forsyth fm Bayard to Hester St				200.
P Smith Actt flag side walks Canal St fm Bdway to Elm St				200.
S Fargay Actt repav Madison fm Pearl to Oliver St				120.
Estate Chs Mooney Actt laying Cross walks 8th Ward				100.
R Pettigrew bal repav Warren fm Broadway to Greenwich St				87.14
Js Pinkerton bal repav White Hall St fm Bridge St to Bulkhead				56.
T Cummings repairs Intersections 8 Ward				51.76
S Fargay	do	7 Ward		45.45
J Pinkerton	Do	1st Ward		12.68
Wm B Doughty Surveys &c 6 Months 1 July				504.77
[115] P. McGlinn 1st payt Well Orange b Broome & Spring St				35.
J McBarren	do	Do Ludlow near North St		30.
J Gallagher Jur	Do	Do Crosby b Broome & Spring St		28.12
J Pinkerton Curb & flagging at Battery				511.40
J D Patten Corporn ⅓ buildg bulk head at Spring St West side of West St				1131.66
Jacob Seguine Arrears Tax refunded sold 28th Decr 1825				30.51
F Hall & Co Adverts to redeem on Sale 22d Novr 1826 in Commercial & A[lbany] Argus				12.
R Graves St Comr Actt repairs Roads				1000.
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Docks & Slips				7285.
J. P. Roome	Do	Fire Dept		2518.
J. P. Roome	Do	Markets		800.
J. P. Roome	Do	Repairs		788.
J. P. Roome	Do	Watch		785.
J. P. Roome	Do	Pumps		749.
J. P. Roome	do	Lamps		400.
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House				5000.
G Snethen lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 August				1213.19 71.920.05
			Balance	$159.65

Board adjourned to Monday the 11th day of August 1828 at 5 OClock P M

[116] In Common Council August 11 1828
Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	John Shepherd Junr
Anthony Lamb	William Seaman
John Lozier	John F Sibell
William S Coe	Isaac Amerman
Stuart F Randolph	Bernard J Meserole
Abm M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	William James Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of George Barclay to have an erroneous Assessment on his property No 15 Nassau street corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of William W Woolsey Henry J Wyckoff and others praying to be heard in relation to a New street to be run from Wall [117] street to Exchange Place was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of certain Butchers in Catharine Market—and also of persons frequenting said Market against any alterations in said Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Remonstrance of J Cram and others against opening Canal street to Pump street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of a number of persons to have the Hay Scales at the foot of Gouverneur street removed was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places

A Petition of William McDonald to have money paid by him for a Tavren Licence returned to him in consequence of his House being burnt in the Bowery a few days after his being Licensed was read and it was resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition.

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants of the 8th Ward for the location of another Engine at the corner of Prince and Wooster street in the 8th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

[118] A Petition of Thomas Brown & others to have the side walks of Clarkson street from Greenwich to Carmine street Laid—was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Henry Osborn for the Office of Wood Inspector for

the 24th District was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of John Leycraft & others for a Well and Pump in 13th Street near 7th Avenue was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth ward & Street Commissioner.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against extending Canal street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Patrick Hamill for a Stand to sell Hats at the Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of the 12th Ward against pitching and regulating Bloomingdale Road and the Bowery from 13th to 21st Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

[119] A Petition of Henry Eckford & others to have an Assessment for the opening of 2d Street divided equally among the Owners of the Lots was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Joseph T Jacobs stating that near his residence at Harlem there is a great nuisance occasioned by a large Pond of stagnant Water and praying to have the same abated was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Jeremiah Pearson praying to be appointed a City Weighmaster was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of J Sanxay for remission of Fine for selling liquor on sunday to the Firemen at the late Fire in Spring street was read and referred to the Police Committee

The Committee on Lands & Places to whom was referred the Resolution to select a suitable place for the Erection of a Monument to the late Thomas Addis Emmett presented the following Report

The Committee on Lands & Places to whom was referred the Resolution for determining [120] on a proper situation for the Monument to our late fellow Citizen Thomas Addis Emmet

Respectfully Report

That our Artists generally, and other persons of refined taste take a lively interest in this work and have furnished plans and drawings for the same, with a view that it may be designed and executed so as to be an ornament to our City. Under their auspices it is to be presumed that it will possess this merit, at the same time they suggest that between a Public Monument and its location there should be suitable correspondent, and that it is desirable the first erection of the kind attempted here should be made not only in the fittest manner, but be placed likewise in the most appropriate situation.

After much consideration your Committee is most inclined to recommend the Bowling Green This spot is vacant and evidently wants something to give it character—Occupied by the intended Monument, which is to be an obelisk from thirty to Forty feet high, it would form an elegant and classical termination for the lower end of Broadway

The Committee wishes to let its report lie on the Table until the next meeting of the Board, for the better ascertaining the sense of the inhabitants of that neighbourhood [121] before then, and they beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be directed to give the usual Notice in the Newspapers of the proposed erection of the Monument in the Bowling Green

All which is respectfully submitted

William J^{s} Macneven
J F Sibell
I Amerman
Tho^{s} Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted & the Report was accordingly laid on the Table

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition for a New Market to be built at the foot of Grand street and the Remonstrance against the same presented the following Report

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition for a New Market to be built at the foot of Grand street and the Remonstrance against the same

Respectfully Report

That the present Market at the foot of Grand street is old and in a very decayed state, and ought in the opinion of the Committee to be removed and a new one built in its place

The expense of building such a Market as the Committee would recommend is [122] estimated at One thousand dollars.

The following Resolution is therefore proposed for the consideration of the Board

Resolved that the present Market at the foot of Grand street be removed and a New Market be erected in the vicinity under the direction of the Market Committee to be Seventy five feet in length and Twenty seven in breadth

Ab^{m} M Valentine
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman

The same having been read. A motion was made to lay the same on the Table which was negatived—The question was then taken on agreeing to the Report and a Division having been called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Al^d Smith Mott Coe Randolph Valentine M^r Bolton Wyckoff Shepherd Seaman Sibell Meserole Amerman Macneven 13

In the Negative M^r Recorder Al^d Ireland Lamb Lozier Woodruff Bolster 6

[123] So it was carried in the Affirmative—The Report was approved and the Resolution adopted—M^r Bolster gave notice of Reconsideration at the next meeting of the Board

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of Henry L Goodheart Andrew Foshay & Peter Chivvis for Butchers Licences and of Mathew Byrne & John P Barker for exchange of Stalls presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions of Henry L Goodheart for a Butchers License for Stall N° 14 Greenwich Market now occupied by Gabriel Duryea and of Andrew Foshay for a Butchers License for Stall N° 9 in said Market now occupied by Jeremiah Kilpatrick, And of Peter Chivvis for a Butchers License for Stall N° 10 in Fulton Market and of John P Baker occupying stall N° 34 and Mathew Byrne occupying Stall N° 36 Catharine Market for permission to exchange Stalls

Respectfully Report

That the Petitioners are well recommended and the transfers are regularly made—The Committee therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the respective Petitioners be granted

Anthony Lamb
[124] Ab^m M Valentine
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Society for the reformation of Juvenile Delinquents who wish to have the use of a Lot of ground adjoining the House of Refuge presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within petition of the Society for the reformation of Juvenile Delinquents who wish

to have the use of a Lot of ground containing about two acres adjoining the House of Refuge

Your Committee considering that the said land is of no present use to the Corporation, and may be advantageous to the said Institution, which deserves the aid of the public, Respectfully recommend that the said Society be authorized to use the said land during the pleasure of the Board—The following Resolution is therefore submitted Viz[t]

Resolved that the said Society for the reformation of Juvenile Delinquents be authorised to use the said Land during the pleasure of the Board

[125] All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph
W[m] H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Resolution relative to purchasing fuel for the City Hall presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully report on the annexed Resolution—That it is usual for the Board to appropriate monies for the purpose of purchasing fuel for the City Hall; and your Committee can see no objection to the adoption of the said Resolution, in order that the Keeper of the Hall may purchase the necessary fuel—Your Committee therefore recommend that the annexed Resolution be passed by the Board

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of the Keeper of the City Hall for Four hundred dollars for the purpose of purchasing fuel

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
W[m] H Ireland
W[m] W Mott
Stuart F Randolph.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[126] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving West street from Barrow to Hammond street and of Hammond street and Barrow street between Washington & West street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regu-

lating and paving West street from Barrow street to Hammond street and of Barrow and Hammond streets between Washington and West streets Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion those Streets ought to be paved inasmuch as that the Hay Market is fixed at that place those streets will be rendered impassible during the approaching fall and Winter seasons unless they are paved—Your Committee are therefore induced from the foregoing considerations to submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that West street be regulated and paved from Barrow to Hammond street

Resolved that Barrow street and Hammond street be respectively regulated and paved from Washington street to the Westerly side of West Street

William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

The Report not having been signed by a [127] Majority of the Committee in consequence of the absence from town of Aldermen Ostrander & Peters and the sickness of Alderman Pittman the rule requiring the signatures of a Majority of the Committee was unanimously dispensed with and the Report was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of Regulating and Paving Art street 8th Street & 9th Street between Broadway and the Bowery presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving Art street Eighth street and Ninth street between Broadway and the Bowery Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion those streets ought to be paved as soon as practicable and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Art street Eighth street and Ninth street be respectively paved between Broadway and the Bowery

William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

This Report being circumstanced as the former Report was simularly disposed of and the Resolution adopted.

[128] The Alderman and Assistant of the Seventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well

and Pump in Gouverneur street near Madison street presented the following Report

The Alderman & Assistant of the 7th Ward and the Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well and Pump in Gouverneur street near Madison street respectfully Report That in their opinion a Well and Pump is necessary at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners be granted

William S Coe
W Seaman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 7th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in M[a]dison street near Walnut street presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Seventh Ward and Street Commissioner respectfully Report on the annexed petition for a [129] Well and Pump in Madison street near Walnut street that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted

William S Coe
W Seaman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump near the junction of Sheriff with North street presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Eleventh ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred a Petition for a Well & Pump near the junction of Sheriff with North street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion a Well is much wanted at that place and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a pump erected therein near the Junction of Sheriff with North street

H B Bolster
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[130] The Special Committee on Blackwells Island to whom was referred the subject of having said Island surveyed &c presented the following Report.

The Special Committee on Blackwells Island beg leave respectfully to Report

That in compliance with the instructions of the Board, they have directed a survey of Blackwells Island to be made, which is now nearly completed—They have also examined the Island with a view to select a location for the new Penitentiary, and propose the centre of the Island, about 1500 feet from the South western extremity supposed to be at an elevation of 20 feet above high Water Mark, and where the Island is about 450 feet wide as a proper site.

The building itself they think should be from 150 to 200 feet in length and about 50 feet wide, with cells after the manner of the Sing Sing Prison for 200 prisoners.

Your Committee estimate that a stone building of that description with Iron doors for the Cells can be completed before the first day of January next at an expense of from 16 to 20,000 Dollars added to the labour of the prisoners and submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Special Committee on Blackwells Island be authorised to proceed [131] forthwith in the erection of a building for a Penitentiary according to the above Report

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
Thomas Bolton
Wm H Ireland
Abm M Valentine
Thomas T Woodruff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted—Upon Motion it was Resolved that the proceedings of the Board on 30th June last, held with closed doors be entered on the Minutes, and the injunction of secresy then imposed was taken off.

The Counsel presented the following Report on subject of Deed for a Gore of land at the corner of Oliver & Henry street accompanied with the Deed

The Counsel herewith submits for execution a Deed to the Baptist Society Oliver street for a gore of land at the corner of Oliver &

Henry streets sold by Auction by the Street Commissioner for $3795. This conveyance has been prepared agreeably to the directions of the Street Commissioner

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Whereupon the same was approved and the Deed [132] directed to be duly executed.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For repaving James Street from Madison to Cherry street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For regulating Second street between the Bowery and Avenue D and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

For regulating and paving Henry street between Oliver and Rutgers street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for regulating 13[th] Street—Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For a Well & Pump in North street near Sheriff Street and Henry Ritter [133] Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts were appointed Assessors

For a Well and Pump in Governeur street near Madison street and Abraham Bloodgood, Peter Pinkney & Thomas Herring appointed Assessors.

For a Well and Pump in Madison street near Walnut street and Peter Stagg James Fairlie & Isaac Kip appointed Assessors

For regulating & paving West street from Barrow to Hammond Street [and of] Barrow and Hammond street[s] between Washington street and the Westerly side of West street and Abraham Dally David Lyon & Samuel Purdy appointed Assessors

For regulating and paving Art street, Eighth street and Ninth street from Broadway to the Bowery and Joshua Hatfield Pine Hopkins & George Hawthorn appointed Assessors.

For repaving Duane Street from Hudson to Greenwich street and Henry Ritter Everardus Warren & Gabriel Van Cotts appointed Assessors

The Chief Engineer presented the following return of Firemen, whereupon the resignations were accepted and Appointments made Viz[t]

[134] Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 5

James J M Valentine Attorney Cor Water & Fulton S[ts]
V[c] Cornelius M Hendrickson. Resigned

N[o] 22

Henry Ruck & Henry Bloodgood—Resigned

N[o] 32

Caleb Odell Shoe Merchant 108 Grand Street
V[c] George W Van Alstyne Resigned

N[o] 36

William L Woodruff Mason 166 Spring Street
V[c] Joseph L Edwards—Resigned

N[o] 39.

Andrew Kearney Sadler Chapell Street
V[c] Thomas Southard Resigned
Benjamin B Giffen Carpenter 80 Vesy street
V[c] James D Meeker—Resigned

N[o] 42.

Benjamin H Chapman Block maker 21 Roosevelt
V[c] Charles Shamburgh Time Expired

N[o] 47

Jesse Wood Superintendant of Railway 11[th] Street Appointed
Jonothan H Gedney Millwright 11[th] Street near Dry Dock D[o]
George H Strever Grocer Cor 10[th] Street & Dry Dock D[o]
Jeremiah Jennings Ship Carpenter 11[th] Street near D[o] D[o]
Benjamin R M[c]Cord d[o] D[o] D[o]
John Fallon D[o] D[o] D[o]
Benjamin Perry D[o] D[o] D[o]
[135] James Weeks—Millwright—N[o] 104 Ridge Street Appointed
William Humes Ship Carpenter 10[th] Street near Dry Dock D[o]
Henry Worley Truckman 11[th] Street D[o] D[o]
Adam Atchison Millwright 10[th] Street D[o] D[o]

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting sundry Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances—Viz[t]

No	1.	H & W Delafield	Owners	No	26 Front Street	A Lot
	2	Jn[o] Towt	owner		Thirteenth Street	Do
	3.	P[r] McLaughlin	Do		Do	Do
	4.	N[s] Dean	Do		Do	Do
	5.	J Lorillard	Do		Do	Do
	6.	S[l] Norsworthy	Do		Do	Do
	7.	Do	Do		Do	Do
	8.	D[l] Jackson	Do		Do	Do
	9.	N[s] H Stevens	Do		Do	Do
	10	E Lyde	Agent		Do	Do
	11.	Th[s] Pringle	owner		Do	Do
	12.	J Rogers	Do		Do	Do
	13.	T A Emmet	owner		12[th] & 13[th] Streets	Do
	14.	W J Macneven	Do		Do	Do
	15.	N[l] Weed	Do		Do	Do
	16.	J[b] Drake	Do		Do	Do
	17.	R S Haskill	Do		Do	Do
	18.	C Weeks	Do	No	90 North St	Do
	19.	[136] Th[s] Thorne	Do		195 Spring Street	Do
	20.	Jn[o] J Astor	do		197 Do	Do
	21.	Do	Do		199 Do	Do
	22.	Josh Kissam	Lessee		201 Do	Do
	23.	J H Ball	Do		203 Do	Do
	24.	J. J. Astor	Do		205 Do	Do
	25.	Do	Do		207 Do	Do
	26.	Do	Do		209 Do	Do
	27.	J Vredenburgh	Do		211 Do	Do
	28.	W[m] Mulock	Do		213 Do	Do
	29.	W[m] Steele	Do		215 Do	Do
	30.	M McLaughlin	Do		217 Do	Do
	31.	M Oakley	Do		219 Do	Do
	32.	J. J Astor	Do		221 Do	Do
	33.	M Jacques	Do		223 Do	Do
	34.	W[m] H Bracket	Do		225 Do	Do
	35.	J. J. Astor	Do		No 2 Van Dam St	Do
	36.	Do	Do		4 do	Do
	37.	Do	Do		6 Do	Do
	38.	J Tallman	Lessee		8 Do	Do
	39.	M Hunt	Do		10 Do	Do
	40.	M Hall	Do		12 & 14 Do	Do
	41.	M Perigo	Do		16 Do	Do
	42.	M Vandenburgh	Do		18 & 20 Do	Do
	43.	J Wood	Do		22 Do	Do
	44.	G Degroot	Do		24 Do	Do
	45.	L. H Halsey	Do		26 Do	Do
	46.	J Sherwood	Do		28 & 30 Do	Do

47. [137] D Robertson	Lessee	32	Van Dam St	A Lot
48. Sl G Dean	Do	34	Do	Do
49. J Duncan	Do	38	Do	Do
50. D King	Do	36	Do	Do
51. Jb Heyer decd	Do	No 334	Water Street	Do
52. Dd Dunn	Do	200	Canal Street	A Privy

Geo Cuming Cy Inspector

Which were passed

The City Inspector presented the following Report on subject of Liens on certain Lots

The City Inspector respectfully presents a List of Lots which have been filled in with Earth at the public Expense, in order that a Collector may be appointed to receive the same, and if found necessary to advertise for the sale of the said Premises

1st For filling in a Lot on Ludlow street between North and Stanton streets known as No 46 on the Stuyvesant or Leanderts Farm—Benjamin Winthrop said to be the owner..... $25.
With Interest from 2d of June last

2d For filling in, under a barn part of two Lots situate at the rear of Lots on the South side of Sixth street within 343 feet of Avenue D and 293 feet of Avenue C said Lots separated from the front by a diagonal division Creek the said Barn being 50 feet in length and 30 feet in depth said to belong to Alfred S Pell $123.90
with Intrest from the 14th July last

3d [138] For filling in certain Lots South side of Arden street No 38 & No 40 belonging to Emmets Estate..... $27.96

Also Lot as above No 39—belonging to Philetus Smith absent..... 38.84

$215.70

Geo Cuming City Inspector

Which was approved and Nicholas C Everitt appointed the Collector thereof.

The Mayor laid before the Board the following Letter from the Honorable Peter Livingston President of the Senate

Rhinebeck August 1st 1828

Dear Sir

I am instructed by the Senate to present to you, and that Respectable body over which you preside, their high respects for the accommodation, civilities and marked attention they have received from the Corporation in their individual and Official Character—The health

pro[s]perity and happiness of the Citizens of New York will always command the wishes and interest the feelings of the Senate

With great respect
Peter R Livingston

Honb[l] William Paulding
Mayor of the City of New York

Which was accepted, directed to be filed and published

[139] The Mayor laid before the Board the following Letter from the President of the City Dispensary expressing their thanks for the donation of the Common Council.

New York Dispensary
New York August 11 1828

Sir

We are requested by the Trustees of the New York Dispensary to communicate thro you to the Common Council their gratefull sense, for their liberal gift of the Lot corner of White and Center streets lately conveyed to them: and to add the hope that the building which the Trustees intend to erect thereon, for the benefit of the sick poor of the City, will more and more prove that the gift has not been inappropriately made.

By order of the Board
John Watts President
James F Depeyster Sec[y]

W[m] Paulding Esq[r] Mayor of City of New York

Which was read and directed to he filed

On Motion the Report of the Street Committee of the 28[th] of July last on Petition of owners of property in Duane street between Hudson Street and Greenwich street praying that the same may be repaved, and the remonstrance against the same were called up—The Report was as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Duane Street [140] repaved from Hudson street to Greenwich street

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the repaving of that Street is much required and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Duane street be repaved from Hudson street to Greenwich street

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Whereupon the Report was approved and the Resolution adopted.

At the request of the Clerk of the Common Council leave of absence was given to him until after the next regular meeting of the Board.

The Report of the Committee on Applications for Office on Petitions for Office of Keeper of Park and of the Washington Parade ground were called up and together with the Petitions were referred back to the Committee.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Petition for alteration of Law respecting Inspector of Lime was discharged from the consideration thereof and it was referred to the Committee on [141] Public Offices.

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Gas

Resolved that the Special Committee on Gas cause the platform in front of the City Hall and the Walk between the large Gates on the East and West side of the park to be lit with Gas.

Mr Bolster presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the expediency of Pitching & regulating the First Avenue from North to Tenth street

Mr Meserole presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

Resolved that the term of service of our Firemen be reduced to seven years instead of Ten.

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized to borrow (under the direction of the Finance Committee) whenever it may be deemed necessary any sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars at an Interest not exceeding Six per Cent per Annum

[142] A Member stating he had bussiness of a confidential nature to communicate the Lobby was cleared and the

Doors closed

Alderman Lamb laid before the Board a Letter addressed to his Collegue Mr Assistant Shepherd signed John P Bailey who is Foreman of Fire Engine Company No 23 the Letter appeared written in consequence of some directions Mr Shepherd had given Mr Bailey at a late fire in Wooster Street &c The letter was couched in language ex-

tremely abusive and scurrilous—The letter having been read the Doors were

Opened

The subject then underwent some discussion and upon a Motion being made that John P Bailey be removed from his Station as Foreman of N° 23 and as a Fireman the same was carried in the Affirmative.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Act^{t} 28 July	159.65
Rec^{d} for Rents	4202.13
" for Streets	3649.06
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	1445.
" " Arrears Taxes	1407.82
" " Superior Court fees	964.50
" " [143] ½ Lottery Licence by the Mayor	500.
" " Justices Courts	479.07
" " Mayoralty fees	66.
" " Intelligence Offices	175.
Loan of Mechanics Bank Authorised 28 Jan^{y} balance	800.
Do Do Do 19 May balance	24.000.00
	$37.848.23

87 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart	Watch	1st	Dis^{t}				1386.
Astin & Hibberd	do	2^{d}	"				945.
Stagg & Herring	do	3^{d}	"				945.
J Morton	Clerk C C			1 Qu^{r}	Salary	1 August	500.
R Graves	St Com^{r}			1 Q^{r}	do	1 July	500.
A B Martling	Keeper City Hall			1 Q^{r}	do	1 August	250.
John W Seaman	Clerk Street Com^{rs}		Office	1 Q^{r}		5 August.	125.
Astin & Higbie	Ass^{t} Keepers	City	Hall	1 Mo		1 August	77.50
C Myers	Keeper	Pottersfield			"	"	69.75
O Ayres	Ass^{t}	City Inspector			"	"	60.75
J Coffin	do				"	"	60.75
J Burger	regulating 4 Public Clocks			1 Q^{r}	"		50.
C Gilman	Keeper of Battery			1 Mo	"		38.75
A M^{c}Cready	Keeper of Park				"	"	38.75
J. J. Shoemaker	Street Inspector	1	Ward		"	"	46.50
T Woolcocks	do	2	"		"	"	46.50
N B Lyon	do	4	"		"	"	46.50
I A Isaacs	do	5	"		"	"	46.50
S Waddel	do	6	"		"	"	46.50
[144] B Fuller	do	7th	"		"	"	46.50
Wm G Babb	do	8	"		"	"	46.50
H Mott	do	9	"		"	"	46.50
T Austin	do	10	"		"	"	46.50
J Woodruff	do	11	"		"	"	46.50
D Hubbard	do	13	"		"	"	46.50
B OConner	do	14	"		"	"	46.50

Abm B Martling Keeper City Hall Expenses Corptn 1 Qur 1 August					272.28
M Ulshoeffer Counsel Drafting Laws &c 26 April to 1 August					117.20
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Accts					25.50
J. M Thomas Sunday Service 6 Ward 1 Qur 1 August					19.50
Durand Perkins & Co Invitation Cards 4 July					13.
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks 10 August					142.96
R Provoost repairing Lamps			1 Month	1 August	233.03
Layman & Chandler work at Lamps			1 Qr	"	121.67
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removing Nuisances			1 Mo	"	70.50
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health			"	"	54.
A Parker	Do		"	"	54.
L Baum	Clerk	Washgtn Market	"	"	82.17
J Gilbert	"	3 Markets	"	"	65.
P Amerman	"	do do	"	"	54.50
J Bremner	"	Catharine do	"	"	62.
G Duryea	"	Fulton do	"	"	41.67
I Asten sweeper	do	do	"	"	46.19
R Smith	Clerk	Franklin do	"	"	38.75
J Seaman	Clerk	Manhattan do	"	"	31.
Jas Hopson	Special Justice		1 Qr Salary	12 August	400.
[145] Abm M Valentine	do		"	"	400.
John W Wyman	do		"	"	400.
R Stephens	Clerk	Police	"	"	312.50
J Townsend	Asst Clerk	do	"	"	200.
S Jones	Chief Justice	Superior Court	"	1 Augst	625.
J O Hoffman	Associate Justice	do	"	"	625.
T J Oakley	do	Do	"	"	625.
O M Lownds Sheriff for Officers attending Courts 1 Qr 1 Augst					1585.
R Hatfield	Clerk	Sessions	1 Qr Salary	12th August	500.
R Hatfield	do	to pay Witnesses	1 Qr	"	17.
Geo B Raymond for Officers se[r]vg Supbeonas 1 Qr 1 Augst					184.50
John P. Roome Crier of Court 1 Qr 3d August					50.
D. T. Valentine Marshall Marine Court 1 Mo 1 August					33.75
J Hammond	Justice	1. 2. 3 Wards	1 Qr Salary	1 Augst	400.
E Morrell	do	4. 6	"	"	400.
H Meigs	do	5. 8. 14	"	"	400.
H Scovell	do	7. 10. 13	"	"	400.
E T Pinckney	do	9. 11	"	"	400.
D M Cowdrey	Clerk	1. 2. 3 Wards	"	"	187.50
G Betts	"	4. 6	"	"	187.50
R L Jacques	"	9. 11	"	"	187.50
R Varick Rent of Court Room		1. 2. 3 Wards	1 Qr	"	60.
W Young	do	4. 6	"	"	32.50
W M Shepherd	do	5. 8. 14	"	"	31.25
Wm M Whitaker	do	7. 10. 13	"	"	25.

John M Bloodgood Superdt Streets	1 Qur	Salary	1 Augst	375.	
J Rapleyea Asst do	"	"		250.	
[146] Geo B Thorp Keeper City Prison & 2 Depts	"	"		500.	
John J Howe Physician City Prison	"	"		75.	
P V[an] Pelt printing	1 Qr	"		657.75	
J Montgomery Stationary	"	"		61.82	
M Ulshoeffer Interest pd J Blackwell on purchase of Island				35.	
T Cummings Corporation part pavg Wooster St fm Washington Park				488.32	
H Cochran Actt reg & pav Corporation part Christ fm Washington to West St				300.	
T Price bal buildg drain Beaver St fm Broadway to Broad St				131.39	
P. Smith bal repav South St fm Coffee House Slip to Depeyster St				49.43	
Jas MacAuley repairs sundry Sewers				21.82	
F Youmans 1st payt Well 13th Street near 6 Avenue				15.75	
J Fleming Treasr to pay Interest City Stock	1 Qr	1 August		18.500.	
J Fleming Treasr Salary	6 Mo	1 August		250.	
J. B Ebbetts Street Inspector	1 Mo	"		46.50	37.576.95

$271.28

The Board then adjourned

[147] In Common Council August 25th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
William W Mott	Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland	Jacob Wyckoff
John Lozier	Isaac Brown
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Effingham Schieffelin	Wm James Macneven
Abraham M Valentine	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and Approved

A Petition of Jacob Shute and others to have the side Walks of Reason street paved & regulated and that the name of said street be changed to that of Barrow street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Asa Hall and others to have a Well & Pump corner

of Perry & Hudson street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

[148] A Petition of the Lessee of District N° 3 of Public Docks & Slips to have a sunken Vessel Removed from the Slip at Pier N° 26 North River was read, and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of John Gooderson & also of Mathew Chichester to be appointed to the Office of Assistant Captain of 2d District Watch were read and referred to the Watch Committee.

A Petition of Ira Munson to be appointed Second Foreman of 2d District Watch was read and referred to the Watch Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Ferdon for Stall N° 10 Grand Street Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Josiah Shippey Junr & of Benjamin *Vodges* [Vogdes] for the Office of Street Inspector of the Eleventh Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Application for Office

A Petition of a number of Butchers stating that certain of them cannot pay their rents and support their families in consequence of the Grocers selling Pork by retail out of their Stores [149] and praying that the same may be prevented was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John & Richard Fisher of the 12th Ward proprietors of the Glass works on the Bank of the Hudson River praying that they may be permitted to draw and Pile their Wood for Inspection & measurement upon their own ground adjoining said Works was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Richard Shee to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for driving Hackney Coach without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of sundry persons Inhabitants of the 5th Ward praying to have the Side walks of Provoost street from Hudson to Greenwich street regulated & repaved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John H Raub for permission to close up that part of the Old Boston Post Road that lies between 124th & 125th Streets at his own expence was read and referred to the Street and Road Committees

A Petition of a number of persons Masters and owners of Vessels who furnish Steam Boats [150] with fire wood praying for an alteration in the Law regulating the Inspection of the same—Together with a Petition from the owners & Agents of Steam Boats praying that the

prayer of the Petitioners be granted was read and referred to the Law Committee.

A Memorial of R L & John C Stevens praying that the platform erected by them for the safety & convenience of passengers going on Board of their Steam Boats at the foot of Courtlandt street may be permitted to remain was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of John M Bruce and others for repaving Water street between Fulton street and Burling Slip was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Daniel Chatterton for a Special License to drive a Horse and Cart was read and referred to his Honor the Mayor

A Petition of Albert Cox to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of R Salien for [151] permission to give a Masquerade Ball—Whereupon it was Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition.

A Petition of George Alker praying for the renewal of the Lease of Castle Garden was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of sundry Inhabitants of the 12th Ward to have the Bloomingdale Road repaired about a quarter of a mile beyond the 5 Mile stone was read and referred to the Road Committee.

Five several Remonstrances from a number of Inhabitants against appropriating the Bowling Green for the erection of a Monument to the late Thomas Addis Emmett Esquire—Whereupon the Report of the Committee on Lands & Places on that subject made at the last Meeting of the Board together with the Remonstrances against the same were referred back to said Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Cummings for some relief on the Assessment for filling in the Sixth Avenue from Greenwich Lane to 13th Street and 13th Street from Broadway to the Hudson River was read and referred to the Finance Committee

[152] A Petition of G M Stoutenburgh & others to have 5th Street paved from 6th Avenue to Reason Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Alexander McLeod and others for permission to erect the Monument to the Memory of the late Thomas Addis Emmett Esquire on a Gore of ground at the intersection of 6th Christopher & Factory streets, was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places.

A Petition of C Bartlett & others for a Pump in the Bowery

between Hester & Grand street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition of a number of persons for a Well & Pump at the intersection of 8th Avenue & 21st Street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 12th Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Remonstrance of the Firemen of the City signed P W Engs Chairman & E Dayton Secretary was read together with a Letter from John P Bailey to the Common Council disclaiming any intention of insulting the Board or Mr Shepherd in his Official Capacity by a Letter he addressed to Mr Shepherd—Whereupon a Motion was [153] made that the said Letters be referred to the Committee on the Fire Department which was carried, A Division having been called for by Mr Meserole, all the Members present voted in the Affirmative—as follows

Mr Recorder—Alderman Mott, Ireland, Loier, Coe, Randolph, Peters, Ostrander, Pittman, Schieffelin, Valentine Mr Bolton, Wyckoff, Brown, Seaman, Sibell, Amerman, Meserole, Bolster, Macneven.

Alderman Schieffelin then made a motion that the said remonstrance be the[n] referred to the same Committee which passed in the Negative—The Yeas and Nays being called for by Alderman Schieffelin the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Alderman Peters Ostrander Schieffelin Mr Brown Meserole 5

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Mott Ireland Lozier Coe Randolph Pittman Valentine Mr Bolton Wyckoff Seaman Sibell Amerman Bolster Macneven 15

So it passed in the Negative

[154] Mr Recorder then made a Motion that the said Remonstrance be laid on the Table which was carried—The Yeas and Nays being called for by Mr Recorder the Members voted as follows vizt

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Mott Ireland Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Pittman Valentine Mr Bolton Wyckoff Brown Seaman Sibell Amerman Bolster Macneven 17

In the Negative Ald Ostrander Schieffelin Mr Meserole 3

So it was carried in the Affirmative

And the said Remonstrance together with the two Letters from Mr Bailey were directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

[155] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Side walks of King street between McDougal & Greenwich street presented the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving

the side walks of King street between M^cDougal and Greenwich street respectfully

Report

that in their opinion the walks in that Street ought to be paved and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the side walks of King street be paved between M^c-Dougal street and Greenwich street

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the subject of complaint against 2^d District Watch under command of Captain Hibberd presented the following Report

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the subject of Complaint against the 2^d District Watch under the command of Captain Hibberd beg Leave to

Report (in part)

That they have given the subject full investigation and from a deliberate view of the whole matter they [156] are of opinion that cause of complaint does exist but as they are not prepared to Report on the whole subject matter referred to them—Your Committee will state that much depends upon the vigilance of the City Watch who are entrusted with the lives and property of our fellow citizens and care should be taken at all times to select active and intelligent Officers, as their usefulness in a great measure depends upon the activity of the Officers appointed to command them; for their duties are of so important a nature that the moment they relax in their vigilance, that moment they become in a manner useless—Your Committee therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that William Britt one of the Foremen attached to the 2^d District Watch under the command of Cap^t Hibberd in consequence of his repeated neglect of duty, be and he is hereby removed from the said Office

Ab^m M Valentine
Bernard J Meserole
John R Peters
John Shepherd Jun^r
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward [157] and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the subject of having a Well and Pump in 13th Street near 7th Avenue presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the subject of having a Well and Pump placed in 13th Street near the 7th Avenue respectfully Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is wanted at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug & built and a pump erected therein in Thirteenth Street near the Seventh Avenue

John R Peters
Isaac Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Fireman the resignations were accepted and appointments Vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 8

William Mayell Hatter Grand Street Vc James Youngs—Resigned
Thomas Trotter Book binder 6 Rose Street
Vc Elbert Warne—Resigned
John McBann—Resigned

[158] No 11

Albert Camel—Iron founder Duane Street
vc George Duroche—Resigned
Hugh W Harrol Do
Aaron Hallock Do
Thomas Smith Do

No 14.

William L Sisco— News Collector 69 William St
vc Hiram H Hammond—Resigned
James Whitlock Tinman 82 Gold St
vc Samuel Winterton Time expired
Thos B Whitlock Jr Tinman 152 Nassau St
Vc Richard McCollick—Resigned

No 18

Robert P Hadfield Clerk 302 Pearl St
vc Edward T Franklin Resigned

N° 25

Lewis E Davenport—Tallow Chandler 54 Robinson S^t^
v^c^ A. B. Hays—Appointed a Warden

N° 27

Walter M^c^Bride—William Attmore—Resigned

N° 38

James Pearsall—Milk man. Bowery Hill
v^c^ Peter M^c^Givney—Resigned
William Ransom Shoe dealer. Bleecker Street
v^c^ Jacob Horn—Resigned

Fire Wardens C° 2^d^ Ward

William H Smith Merchant N° 4 Maiden Lane
v^c^ Barney Corse Time expired

[159] The Street Commissioner presented the following Report on subject of Articles of Agreement with Woodruff & Barnes & Randolph Brandt for building a Market at the foot of Spring street accompanied with the Articles &c

The Street Commissioner herewith respectfully submits Articles of Agreement on the part of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty to Woodruff & Barnes and Randolph Brant for building a Market at the foot of Spring street as drawn and approved by the Counsel to the Board in order that they may be executed in the usual manner

Respectfully submitted

R Graves S^t^ Com^r^

Whereupon the Report was adopted and the Articles of Agreement directed to be executed.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto

For paving Second Avenue from 1^st^ to 5^th^ Street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For a Well & Pump in Ludlow near North street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector

For flagging the side walk of the Southerly side of Hubert Street from Greenwich Street to West street and Morris D Camp Appointed Collector.

[160] The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents

The Street Commissioner herewith covers returns of Delinquents on the following Assessments Viz

For extending Lafayette place from Art to 8th Street

For a Well & Pump in Pitt street between Stanton and North street

And For a Well & Pump in Second street near Avenue C

In order that Warrants may issue on them respectively to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof

Respectfully submitted

R Graves Street Comr

Whereupon Warrants were directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For building Eighteen Public Cisterns and John Targee Abraham Boudoine & Shivers Parker were appointed Assessors.

The Location of the several Cisterns as adopted by the Board are as follows Vizt

Two at the Public School in Duane near Church Street

Two at the Church in King Street near McDougal street

Two at the Church corner Herring and Amos street

One at the Church in Bedford near Arden street

[161] Two at the Church in Bleecker street near Broadway

Two at St Marks Church in Stuyvesant street

Two at the Church corner of Broome and Ridge street

One at the Essex Market

Two at the Baptist Church corner of Delancy & Chrystie Streets

Two at the Friends Meeting House corner of Hester & Elizabeth Street

For a Well and Pump in 13th Street near the Seventh Avenue and Alpheus Sherman Chas Dusenbury & James Barclay were appointed Assessors.

For paving the Side walks of King street between McDougal street and Greenwich street and Thomas R Smith John Slidell & Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors

The City Inspector presented the following Report on appointing a Collector to receive Monies laid out on certain Lots

The City Inspector respectfully Reports to the Board that expences have been incurred for filling in with Earth certain Lots on the South west side of Second street near or adjoining the first Avenue, in order

that a Collector may be appointed to call for the respective Amounts from the Heirs of the late William Hillyer Viz[t]

No 18.	on the Map of the Estate of Wm Hillyer	.....	$22.50
19.	Do	.....	60.50
[162]20.	Do	.....	86.
21.	Do	.....	96.
22.	Do	.....	96.
23.	Do	.....	83.50
24.	Do	.....	63.50
25.	Do	.....	18.
		Total	$526.

Geo. Cuming City Inspector

Whereupon Nicholas C Everitt was appointed Collector thereof

The City Inspector presented the following Report on filling in certain Gores of ground at the Public expence.

The City Inspector respectfully states that certain Gores of ground on the North side of Twelfth street between the Fifth and Sixth Avenues have been Ordinanced to be filled in with earth, but not complied with—As one gore belongs to the unsettled estate of the Agnew family, and the other to a man unable to fill it in—Ordinances are herewith presented to fill them in, and hold a Lien thereon, as in their present state they are a great Nuisance

Geo. Cuming City Inspector

Whereupon the Report was approved.

The City Inspector presented the [163] following Report of Ordinances for the Correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No 1.	A Schermerhorn	Owner	Washington St	A Lot
2	Mrs M Marx	do	Greene St	Do
3.	R Jennings	Agent	13 Catharine Slip	Do
4	Spring Water Co	owners	86 Street	Do
5.	Do	Do	87th "	Do
6,	Do	Do	88th "	Do
7.	Do	Do	89th "	Do
8	Pr Cooper	Do	Stuyvesant St	Do
9.	Dudley Selden	Agent	Bowery	Do
10.	Rt Bogardus	owner	Do & 3d Avenue	Do
11.	Pr S Stuyvesant	Do	Do "	Do
12.	Jno C Kelly	Do	Do "	Do
13.	Hy *H* Overing	Do	229 William St	A Privy

Geo. Cuming City Inspector

Which were passed

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Sheriff of the City and County of New York be allowed to hold Courts of Inquiry in one of the Court Rooms in the City Hall

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted

[164] Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to borrow under the direction of the Finance Committee whenever it may be deemed necessary any sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars at an Interest not exceeding Six per Cent per Annum.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the Intersection of Raisen street and Barrow street be regulated and paved from Hudson to Bedford Street.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Lamp Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Lamps to cause Lamps to be placed in such Streets as are not properly lighted in the Ninth Ward.

Alderman Pittman presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that in consequence of John P Anthony Esquire Alderman of the 4th Ward having become through Indisposition unable to attend to the duties appertaining to him as one of the Committee on Public Repairs that be appointed in the place of John P Anthony

[165] Whereupon his Honor the Mayor appointed on that Committee Alderman Woodruff

Mr Bolster agreeable to notice given at the last Meeting now moved that the Board reconsider the vote given on building a Market at the foot of Grand Street—The question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative—So the Board refused to reconsider their vote.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 11th Inst	271.28
Recd for Streets	5992.49
" " Rents	3212.45
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	1085.
" " Police Office fees	1065.32
" " Justices Courts	797.50
" " Tax of 1827	428.58
" " Mayoralty fees	97.50
" " Wells & Pumps	77.18

Recd for Dist Attorney fees..... 53.77
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised 11th August..... 50,000.

$63.081.07

62 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1s Dist.....				1389.50
Astin & Hibberd	do	2d "		945.
Stagg & Bleakly	do	3d "		945.
[166] G. N Bleecker Comptroller 1 Qr Salary 15 August..				450.
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs		" 14th " ..		300.
T. J Waters Clerk Compts Office		" 24th " ..		250.
Abm B Martling Keeper City Hall to purchase Fuel.....				400.
J W Somerndyke & S Lyon Sunday service 6 Ward 12 days to 18 August				36.
S W Dusenberry	do	8 Ward 19 days to 1s Augst..		28.50
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 24 August.....				146.44
Wm McIntire Hawser & Rope for Mud Scow.....				96.71
Saml Judd 26 Casks Oil.....				887.15
Jas Lozier Clerk Court 7. 10. 13 Wards 1 Qr Salary 1 August				187.50
J. Campbell Clerk " 5. 8. 14		do	do	187.50
Daniel Aim Rent of Court Room 9. 11 Wards		do	Do	25.
Eliza Evertson Awd widng Nassau St fm Cedar St to Maiden lane				15.560.
Miles Hitchcock	do	Do	" "	6150.
The Ministers Elders & Deacons of the Reformed Dutch Church		"	"	3765.
Charles Duryee		"	"	252.
Thomas Storm		"	"	247.
John H Sickles		"	"	245.
John Oothout		"	"	240.
Isaac Mead		"	"	232.
Robert Benson		"	"	220.
J Laurence B McVickar J Glover & J T Forrest awd openg 9th Street from Broadway to 6 Avenue				2839.
Trustees Sailors Snug Harbor	Do	Do	Do	1324.
George P Rogers	Do	Do	Do	775.
B & H E Haight bal Awd openg Commerce & Raisen St fm Bedford to Barrow St				1955.
Harman Hendicks bal	Do	Do	Do	650.
Wm R White	do	Do	Do	160.
[167] Corporation of Trinity Church bal Award	Do	Do	Do	140.
Andrew Adams awd	"	"	"	15.
Est John Sloan Actt reg Greenwich Lane fm 6th Avenue to 13th St				1500.
T Cummings Actt reg 13th St fm Broadway to Hudson River				1300.

H Smith Actt reg & pav Forsyth St fm Bayard to Hester St	550.	
H Spencer Atty fo Abm Stagg Actt reg & pav 5th St fm 3d to 1s Avenue	500.	
Jacob B Taylor Act reg Greenwich Lane fm 6th Avenue to 13th St	258.34	
S Fargay Actt reg & pav 4th St fm Broadway to Bowery..	190.	
Estate Chs Mooney Actt laying Cross walks 8 Ward.....	160.	
H Cochran Actt repav Water St fm Roosevelt to James St	150.	
S Fargay Actt repav Cath Slip fm Cherry to South St.....	100.	
P. Smith bal laying Side walks Canal St bn Broadway & Elm St	95.38	
Jas MacAuley Actt buildg Drain Stone St fm Broad towards White Hall St	80.	
P. Smith reg & pav Public place Intersection Harman Grand & Scammel St	944.24	
S Fargay Corporation ⅓ paving Broome Street Slip.....	297.30	
T Cummings repairs Intersections 9th Ward.....	23.68	
P. Smith do Do 11th Ward.....	10.78	
D Meehan do Do 4 Ward.....	9.74	
J Culbert do Do 9th Ward.....	9.10	
Wm McKeon Actt buildg Fence at Washington Square.....	700.	
Geo Lovett Atty for Wm Hockman 2d payt Pier at State Prison	3000.	
J McBarren 1st payt Well Perry near Washington St.....	12.88	
R Graves St Comr for repairs Lands & Places.....	250.	
Owen Smith filling 8 Lots ground 2d Street 1s Avenue Est Wm Hillyer Lien	526.	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Repairs	2259.	
J. P Roome do " Docks & Slips.....	2050.	
J. P. Roome do " Fire Department	1600.	
[168] J. P. Roome do " Markets	699.	
J. P. Roome do " Pumps	337.	
J. P. Roome do " Lamps	300.	
J. P. Roome do " Watch	75.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for buildg Penitentiary on Blackwells Island	4000.	63.030.74
	Balance	$50.33

Board then adjourned

[169] In Common Council August 28th 1828 Special Meeting

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
William W Mott	Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland	Jacob Wyckoff
John Lozier	Isaac Brown
William S Coe	John Shepherd
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Abm M Valentine	Henry Storms
	Wm James Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

The Committee on the Fire Department presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department beg leave respectfully to State to the Board, That the members of this Committee first understood, at the Fire which occurred at Vauxhall Garden, on Tuesday [170] last, that the Firemen very generally refused to perform their duty; and that those so refusing had attempted to interfere with those who continued to perform their duty. This report so alarming to the City, Your Committee thought it their duty forthwith to investigate, and they accordingly have had interviews with the Chief Engineer, and with the foremen of all the Fire companies. They are happy to find that this Report was considerably exaggerated, only one of the Companies having entirely resigned, while in the other Companies, a portion only, in some instances smaller, and in some larger, have also declined performing their duty: The foremen have all with a single exception, promised to exert themselves to have their Machines on the ground and worked, and not to resign or discontinue working until after sufficient notice to the Common Council—Your Committee therefore think that the very general alarm which has appeared among the Inhabitants of our City is unfounded; and that for the present they may rest in quiet. Your Committee however deem it proper to state that they took temporary measures on Tuesday last immediately after the Fire at Vauxhall Garden, by which had a fire happened that night, the property of the Citizens would have been protected—Your Committee are principally induced to make this representation, that our Constituents may be informed that their City Representatives have

been mindful of their safety, [171] and lest any unforeseen difficulty might occur, they beg leave to recommend the passage of the following Resolution Viz[t]

Resolved that the Chief Engineer under the direction of the Committee on the Fire Department take such measures as may be necessary to continue the efficiency of the Fire Department and that the said Committee have full power in the premises

Isaac Brown
W[m] H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and the Report directed to be published in the Newspapers employed by the Board.

M[r] Brown presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that a Special Meeting of the Common Council be held on Monday evening next to hear the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department relative to the case of John P Bailey

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution

Resolved that the respective daily papers who publish for the Common Council be requested to publish the 74[th] Section & the latter clause of the 75[th] & 76[th] Sections of the Laws of the State for the prevention of [172] *of* fires passed April 9[th] 1913 And also to publish the 8[th] 17[th] 18[th] & 21[st] Sections of the Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires passed by the Common Council 30[th] April 1827—Which was read and on Motion referred to the Committee on the Fire Department with power to publish the said sections and clauses therein referred to and such other sections and clauses as by them may be thought applicable to the same subject

A Remonstrance of James Mowatt against the Petition of Mess[rs] R L & J R Stevens for the exclusive use of the wharf at the foot of Liberty street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

The Board then adjourned until Monday next at 5 OClock—P M

[173] In Common Council Adjourned Meeting September 1st 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Jacob Wyckoff
William W Mott	Samuel Stevens
William H Ireland	Isaac Brown
Anthony Lamb	John Shepherd Junr
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	Isaac Amerman
Stuart F Randolph	Bernard J Meserole
John R Peters	Henry B Bolster
Gideon Ostrander	James Palmer
Lemuel Pittman	William Jas Macneven
Abraham M Valentine	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of a number of Citizens praying that the platform erected by the Messrs Stevens for the landing and taking passengers on board their Steam Boats may be permitted to remain was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

[174] The Counsel presented the following Report of proceedings for opening Streets Confirmed at the August term of the Supreme Court.

The Counsel respectfully Reports that the Supreme Court on the 25th day of August last confirmed the Report of the Commissioners.

I. In the Matter of the application of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York relative to opening Twentieth street in the Twelfth ward of the City of New York from the Third Avenue to the Bloomingdale road

II. The like for opening the Fifth Avenue between 90th and 106th Streets in the Twelfth Ward

III. The like for opening the Sixth Avenue from 21st Street to the Bloomingdale Road in the Twelfth ward,

IV. The like for extending Minetto street in the 9th Ward to McDougal street

V. The like for opening 19th & 20th Streets from the 6th Avenue to the 8th Avenue in the Twelfth Ward.

VI. The like for opening 61st street from the 3d Avenue to the East river in the Twelfth Ward

VII. The like for opening 86th Street between the East river and the 8th Avenue in the Twelfth Ward

And on the 26th day of August last the said Court confirmed the Report of the Commissioners.

VIII. The like for widening Madison street between Pike and Clinton streets in the Seventh Ward

IX. The like for opening Jane street between [175] Greenwich Lane and the North river in the Ninth ward

X. The like for opening 14th Street from the Bowery to the East river in the Eleventh & Twelfth Wards

XI. The like for opening 17th Street from the 6th Avenue to the Westerly side of Fitzroy Road in the Twelfth Ward.

In these several cases, it will be necessary for the Board to determine whether it is expedient to suspend any of these improvements to any period not exceeding 15 Months from the time of Confirmation; and if not to appoint Collectors of the Assessments in order that the money may be received in time to pay the awards

Abstracts of these Assessments will be furnished to the Street Commissioner

All which is respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Blake complaining extremly of abusive conduct on the part of certain Watchmen to a female on the night of 12th August and upon Petitioners remonstrating with them of taking him to the Watch House was read and referred to the Watch Committee.

A Petition of James Van Tassell to be appointed Street Inspector of the 11th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

[176] A Petition of Nathan Robbins for permission to build the Cellar wall of his house at the corner of Roosevelt & Madison street Nine inches on the Street from the bottom of the Cellar to the surface of the ground, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of Sarah Lawrence & others against the repaving of Provoost street from Hudson to Greenwich street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Two letters of John P Bailey late a fireman of Fire Engine Co

N° 23 one addressed to Mr Shepherd and the other to the Common Council presented the following Report

The Letter from Mr Bailey to Mr Shepherd was as follows

Mr John Shepherd

Sir

sufficient time having elapsed since my last communication to you for a compliance with its demands, I take it for granted you do not intend doing so. I never expected you had either sense or decency enough to consider an apology necessary for any of your piggish brutal cowardly mean dirty low [177] despicable unlawful acts done under the cloak of your office; but I did suppose you had some friends possessed of some decency if not of some refinement who would inform you that running a man down in the street required some apology, and that none but a ruffian a blockhead, a man totally destitute of brains would ever advance the idea of sending a person to the Watch house for simply enquiring why he was run against. Now sir, you are the puppy who would like to trample upon the rights of Citizens, because you can upon certain occasions, wield the gilded staff; but sir you will find your staff possesses no charm and you are no fairy, the staff I must acknowledge has some advantage of the bearer, that being a little polished, but has the misfortune to be borne by so rough a Lot of dirt as ever descended from old Adam. Some of my friends have begged I would take no notice of you, that your unprecedented ignorance was a sufficient apology, and that your depravity was becoming so proverbial, that you would not even have the pretext for authority but a short time; but sir, your despicable conduct merits attention, and I now inform you, that I have lots of facts daily pouring in from all quarters of the Ward, and am only waiting to make the collection complete, to select sufficient materials for a neat hand bill which shall be printed in legible style, and posted in every corner of the ward, for the benefit of John Shepherd and his constituents.

In the mean time I should like a little [178] information from you; I presume you can inform me the pay of an Assistant Alderman who passes certain grog shops open, and causes certain others to be shut on the Sabbath; the conditions of protecting Brothels, is it the free use of Landlady or all hands, and what are the circumstances which render them subjects of persecution, will they not pay up, or do they think some of the Assistants rather vulgar for their pleasures; I am told you are perfectly familiar with this subject, having

been nearly two years in active service; if it be scandal you can undo[u]btedly refute it, if it be true, I think the facts would be an important acquisition to my hand bill.

And now for a little advice, I think you had better not snoup round the sugar house walls as much as you have done, as my ears are very good, and if you make any assignations there, I will put them in the hand bill, and the next fire you go to you Keep yourself busy among the negroes, Irish and other rag tag and bob tail, which is your particular duty, and be particularly careful to not take any thing valuable in mistake, and on no account interfere with the firemen, if you do, that immense body of yours may get a little tumbled or so by way of amusement.

From your evil spirit

J. P. Bailey

The Letter from Mr Bailey to the [179] Common Council was as follows.

New York August 25. 1828

To the Honorable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Gentlemen

Having understood that the Common Council considered themselves insulted by a Letter written by me to Mr John Shepherd I totally disclaim any intention of doing so, or even insulting Mr Shepherd in his Official capacity

Yours respectfully

John P Bailey

On Motion of Mr Wyckoff the Memorial of the Firemen which had been laid on the Table was called up for consideration

The Report of the Committee on the Fire Department was as follows

The Committee on the Fire department to whom were referred the two letters of John P Bailey late a fireman of Engine No 23 one being addressed to Mr Shepherd and the other to the Common Council, beg leave respectfully to Report

That they have duly considered the matter referred to them—Mr Bailey was removed as a fireman, by virtue of the authority contained in the 75th section of the Act of 1813 which declares, "that it shall be lawful for the Mayor Alderman and Commonalty of the said City,

in Common Council [180] covened, to remove all or any of the firemen now appointed, or to be appointed, by virtue of this Act, when and as often as they shall think fit, and to appoint others in their stead." More full and ample authority in the premises could not have been given; and indeed, it was the manifest intention of the Laws on this subject, to vest the sole discretionary authority in the Common Council. The firemen are doubtless among the most meritorious classes of our Citizens; and if they serve ten years are possessed of valuable privileges even after their term of service is at an end. Still the whole power of appointment and removal is vested in the Common Council, who are elected by the people, and the increased usefulness and value of the Fire Department shew that the City Corporation has been mindful of its duty, and has cherished and supported the interests of that branch of the City Police.

It is to be regretted that any occasion should have taken place, to give rise to disagreement between the fire department, or any of its parts, and the Common Council (and much more is it a subject of regret that it should ever have been found necessary summarily to exercise the power of removal) But constituted as the Common Council is, and as the Fire Department is also, it is not perhaps surprising that an extraordinary occasion should once have occurred requiring the exercise of this power. [181] The recurrence of such occasions is not to be anticipated or expected, And in general your Committee think that harmony will exist between the various branches of the City police, and that nothing will interfere to prevent their growing importance and value, Your Committee express the confident hope that the guardians of the City may continue to act wisely and discreetly in the exercises of their powers, and that no evils will result from their possessing all the authority now vested in them by the Laws in relation to the premises—The whole body of the people are the constituents of the Common Council, and with it is very properly placed the sole and exclusive power of appointing and removing fire men. But your Committee for bear to add more on this subject because they are rather anxious to allay than excite further discussion

The Letter of M^{r} John P Bailey which was presented at the last meeting of the Board must be deemed a sufficient disclaimer of meaning to offend, and a refutation of the Idea that his letters to M^{r} Shepherd were intentionally disrespectful to him in his official character, or to the members of the Common Council; And however violent one of those letters was in its tone, and highly indecorous in its language. your Committee are of the opinion that the letter presented at the

last meeting from Mr Bailey ought to be considered a sufficient apology and retraction; And from the personal explanations and declarations of Mr Bailey [182] to your Committee, they are satisfied that he wrote under the influence of outraged feelings, considering himself personally wronged by Mr Shepherd, and did not intend to be guilty of any disrespect towards the municipal authorities of the City—If the occasion of his removal was imperitive, the sequel shews that he bears the best of characters, and acted as he supposed he had a right to act.

And the amicable arrangement of this controversy, so far as it relates to Mr Shepherd and Mr. Bailey (which your Committee are happy to state has taken place under their auspices) has also shewn that Mr Shepherd acted at the fire considering himself insulted by Mr Bailey and has fully relieved the private and official character of Mr Shepherd from every imputation—Under these circumstances your Committee believe that all parties will be entirely satisfied, And the confidence of the community will be fully restored

In controversies such as have arisen on this occasion, the excitement generally produces great misapprehensions; And it is evident that the policy of all good citizens is to reconcile differences rather than to exasperate controversies.

While the Common Council is cloathed with the sole power of appointment and removal, its members have never, as your Committee believe, attempted to exercise a controul over the Fire department, collectively or individually at fires.

[183] The Fire department is so well organised in all its branches, as to need no directory power beyond its own officers on such occasions, in relation to the conduct of its members—And alth'o the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Assistants, and other civil Officers, are required to attend fires, it is for special purposes distinct from the conduct of The Fire department in adopting their labours in the best manner to extinguishing fires.

Upon the whole, therefore, considering the evidences of the character of Mr Bailey, his general good conduct, and the letter which he has written and was referred to your Committee and his request to your Committee to be re-instated as a fireman, they do not hesitate unanimously to recommend the adoption of the following resolution viz[t]

Resolved that John P Bailey be restored and re-appointed a fire-

man of Engine N° 23 to take date as of the period of his first appointment

All which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Stuart F Randolph
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer

The Report of the Committee being read Mr Stevens moved that the Letters which had passed between Mr Shepherd & Mr Bailey alluded to in the Report of the Committee be read—This being objected to and occasioned considerable discussion—Upon [184] taking the question on agreeing to the motion of Mr Stevens, a Division having been called by Mr Stevens the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Alderman Lamb Lozier Peters Valentine Mr Stevens Bolster 6

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Mott Ireland Cox Randolph Ostrander Pittman Mr Wyckoff Brown Seaman Amerman Meserole Palmer Macneven 15

So it passed in the Negative

The Question was then taken on adopting the Resolution proposed by the Report of the Committee—A Division having been called by Mr Meserole the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Mott Ireland [185] Ald Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Ostrander Pittman Valentine Mr Wyckoff Stevens Brown Shepherd Seaman Amerman Meserole Bolster Palmer Macneven 22

So it was unanimously adopted all the members present voting in the Affirmative

Board adjourned to Monday 8th Inst at 5 OClock P M

[186] In Common Council September 8th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Jacob Wyckoff
William W Mott	Samuel Stevens
William H Ireland	Isaac Brown
Anthony Lamb	John Shepherd Junr
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Abraham M Valentine	Henry Storms
Thomas T Woodruff	James Palmer
	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & approved.

A Petition of Lewis B Wheeler to be allowed an extension of time to pay an Assessment for paving 2d Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of William Stanton for [187] leave to supply the Butchers &c in Catharine Market with Cakes and Coffee was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons owners and Occupants of property on Stuyvesant street between Bowery and Third Avenue praying that Eighth street from Bowery to Third Avenue may be regulated was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Stephen Whitney and Augustus Wynkoop praying that 6th Street may be filled up and regulated from Second Avenue to Avenue A was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Mead Darrow and Jacob Schureman for the Office of Street Inspector of the Eleventh Ward were read and laid on the Table they were afterwards called up and read on the coming in of the Report of the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against the repaving of Provoost street from Hudson to Greenwich street and also against the repaving the side walks of the same was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[188] A Petition of Stephen Mead and others to have the Eighth Avenue regulated from 13th to 21st Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Mary Marx for remission of a fine for not filling in certain sunken Lots was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Remonstrance of John Doughty and others against closing the Old Boston Post Road between 124th & 125th Streets was read and referred to the Road and Street Committees

Also a Remonstrance of James Flanagan against closing the Old Boston Post Road between 124th & 125th Streets was read and referred to the Road and Street Committees

A Petition of John Delancy to be appointed a Street Inspector was read and laid on the Table it was afterward called up on the coming in of the Report of the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of George T Trimble Treasurer of Public Schools for the payment of their annuity due out of the excise fund &c was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[189] A Petition of John Hillyer and others praying that Moore street may be repaved from Front to South street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Jeromus Johnson and others praying that South street may be regulated & paved between Moore and Broad streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Abraham Guest praying for the Office of Measurer of Coal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Isaac Osborn and others for a Well and Pump at the Corner of Wooster and Fourth street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Madison street praying to have the same widened and improved between Pike and Clinton streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons praying that the Law regulating the Sale & Inspection of Fire wood may remain unaltered was read and referred to the Law Committee.

[190] A Petition of Valentine Mott and others to have Murray street repaved between Broadway and Church street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Van Bussum to be appointed a Measurer of Coal grain &c was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Aaron Clark & others to have 79th Street from 3d Avenue to the East River worked was read and referred to the Street and Road Committees

A Petition of Miss Abijah Arden to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Assessment was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Samuel Hoffman Lessee of 3d District of Docks & Slips stating that he is prevented from collecting the Wharfage due at the foot of North Moore & Provoost street &c praying that the Counsel of the Board may be directed to defend any suits which may be commenced against him respecting the same was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[191] A Petition of John Westervelt praying that enquiry may be made as to the qualifications of Samuel D Throop as Inspector of Lime &c was read and referred to the Law Committee.

A Petition of John G Hughs and E H Wilson for leave to transfer a Lease of a block of ground situated between Charlton King Washington and West streets to John D Waterman was read and referred to the Finance Committee with power.

A Petition of a number of persons praying that Fulton street be repaved between Broadway and the North River was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Jeduthan Snow praying to be relieved from the payment of a fine for encumbering the Street by having Three Mahogany tables therein was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Fire Engine Company N° 46 for an Alarm Bell at Rose Hill was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of a number of persons to have Duane street repaved from Greenwich to Washington street was read and referred to the Street Committee

[192] The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Petition for appointing Inspectors of Lime presented a Report accompanied with a Law which was read and Laid on the table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Counsel of the Board respecting the proceedings for opening certain streets and Avenues which had been confirmed by the Supreme Court presented the following Report which was amended and adopted in the words following

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Counsel to this Board relative to the opening of Sundry Avenues and

Streets confirmed by the Supreme Court at their late August term Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the opening of Twentieth street from the 3d Avenue to the Bloomingdale Road.

Minetto street to McDougal street

Sixty first street from the 3d Avenue to the East River

Fourteenth street from the Bowery to the East River

Jane street from Greenwich Lane to the Hudson River

And the Fifth Avenue between 90th and 106th Streets be suspended for the term of Thirty days from and after the confirmation by the Court.

And that the opening of the Sixth Avenue [193] from 21st Street to the Bloomingdale Road be suspended until the 1stday of January next

And that the opening of Eighty sixth street from 8th Avenue to the East river be suspended until the first day of October next.

And that the opening of Nineteenth and Twentieth streets from the sixth to the Eighth Avenue And Seventeenth street from the Sixth Avenue to Fitzroy road be severally suspended until the first day of December next

And also that the widening of Madison street from Pike street to Clinton street be forthwith entered upon, and the Buildings and other incumbrances thereon be removed within Thirty days thereafter

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the name of Reason street changed to that of Barrow street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition for having the name of Reason street changed for that of Barrow street that in their opinion there is a propriety in granting the request of the Petitioners inasmuch as that by opening and [194] continuing Reason street to Barrow street a junction of the two streets is formed nearly in the centre between Bedford and Hudson streets from which circumstances it would seem to be necessary, that the street throughout should be called and known by one name.

Your Committee accordingly submit the following resolution.

Resolved that the name of Reason street be changed to that of Barrow street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating the First Avenue between North and 10th Streets presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating the First Avenue between North and Tenth streets respectfully

Report

That in the opinion of your Committee the filling and regulating that Avenue is necessary in order that it should conform with the intersecting streets, some of which are paved and others [195] regulated—Accordingly they submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the First Avenue be regulated between North street and Tenth street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving so much of Reason now Barrow street & Commerce street as have been lately opened to Barrow street &c presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving so much of Reason and Commerce streets as have been lately opened to Barrow street and also of Barrow street to Hudson street Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion those parts of Streets ought to be regulated and paved forthwith and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Reason street now Barrow street be regulated and paved from Bedford to Barrow street, Commerce street from the

present pavement to Barrow street and [196] Barrow street from Reason Street to Hudson street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving Mangin street between Broome & Delancy streets presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving Mangin street between Broome and Delancy streets respectfully Report

That in their opinion that Street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Mangin street be filled up regulated and paved from Broome street to Delancy street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[197] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 5th Street regulated and paved between the Sixth Avenue and Reason street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Fifth street regulated and paved between the Sixth Avenue and Reason street respectfully Report

That in their opinion that part of Fifth street ought to be paved and therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Fifth street be regulated and paved between the Sixth Avenue and Reason Street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Side walks of Clarkson street laid between Greenwich and Carmine streets presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of Clarkson street laid between Greenwich and Carmine streets Respectfully Report

that in their opinion the walks in that street [198] require paving and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks of Clarkson street be paved from Greenwich street to Carmine street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Ira Munson and others to be appointed Assistant Foreman 2d District Watch presented the following Report

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of the following persons to be appointed Assistant Foreman 2d District Watch to wit—Ira Munson Mathew Chichester John Gooderson & Thomas Miller

Beg leave to Report that they have investigated the claims of the several candidates and find them to be men of good character and in whom the utmost confidence may be placed

Your Committee however beg leave to offer the following Resolution

[199] Resolved that Ira Munson be appointed Assistant foreman 2d District Watch in place of William Britt removed

Respectfully submitted

Abm M Valentine
John Shepherd Junr
W Seaman
John R Peters
B. J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and Ira Munson was accordingly appointed.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petitions of Thomas Jeroleman and others Wood Inspectors relative to the Inspection Districts presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred

the Petitions of Thomas Jeroleman Isaac B Torboss David Clark & Henry Osborn relative to the Inspection of wood respectfully

Report

That they are of opinion that it is expedient to remove Isaac B Torboss to the 8th District and to appoint David Clarkson in his stead and that Henry Osborn is the most deserving applicant for Inspector of the 24th District

And submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Isaac B Torboss [200] be and he is hereby removed from the Office of Inspector of Fire wood for the 21st District and he is appointed Inspector to act jointly with Thomas Jeroliman in the 8th District

Resolved that David Clarkson be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Fire wood for the 21st District.

Resolved that Henry Osborn of the 12th Ward is hereby appointed Inspector of Fire wood for the 25th District on the East River

John R Peters
Wm H Ireland
Isaac Brown
John Shepherd Junr

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and the Appointments made accordingly

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Doctor David Quackinbush to be appointed Physician to the Greenwich Prison presented the following Report.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Docr David Quackinbush to be appointed physician to the Greenwich prison, have made particular inquiry with regard to the character and qualification of the applicant to fill the [201] Office he applies for and find him well recommended

Your Committee have also consulted the Commissioners of the Alms House and Mr Thorp the Keeper, who all agree that it is highly necessary to appoint a Physician to the Greenwich establishment one who resides near the premises who all recommend Docr Quackinbush as a proper person—Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that David Quackinbush be and he is hereby appointed

Physician to the Greenwich prison at a Salary of $250, per Annum, Salary to commence on the 20th day of May 1828

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and he was accordingly Appointed

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the subject of appointing and Inspector of Streets for the 11th Ward presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Keyser to be appointed Street Inspector of the Eleventh Ward have made inquiry as to the Character and qualification of the Applicant to perform the duties of the Office and find him well recommended

[202] They therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Henry Keyser be and he is hereby appointed Street Inspector of the Eleventh Ward in the place of Josiah Woodruff Deceased to bear date from the 1st September 1828 and his term of Office to expire on the 1st January 1829

John Lozier
Isaac Brown
William S Coe

Which was accepted the Board then proceeded to Ballot when Henry Keyser was duly appointed.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Daniel Johnston Thomas B Vermilyea & others for the Office of City Weigher presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Daniel Johnston and Thomas B Vermilye to be appointed City weighers have enquired into the character and qualifications of the Petitioners to perform the duties of the Office, and find them well recommended—They therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Daniel Johnston and Thomas B Vermilye be and they are hereby appointed City Weighers in the place of William Hall resigned and Robert Dingee not using [203] his Warrant

John Lozier
Isaac Brown
William S Coe

The Board proceeded to Ballot and Thomas B Vermilye and Daniel Johnston were duly appointed City Weighers

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Sanxay to be released from a fine for selling Liquor on sunday presented the following Report

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of John Sanxay fined for selling liquor on Sunday

Report

That he has had a trial by a Jury who fined him and the Plea on the part of the Petitioner was that he sold to Firemen, during the time of a fire only—The Attorney of the Board represents to the Committee that this was a mere pretext and that he had often before been complained of—And that the Attorney requested the Jury to acquit Sanxay if they believed he opened his Store on account of the Firemen—But the Jury it appears thought otherwise and found him guilty—The Committee offer the following Resolution

[204] Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition

Samuel Stevens
Thomas T Woodruff
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Richard Shee for the remission of a fine for driving Hackney Coaches without Licence presented the following Report

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of Richard Shee sued for not taking out the Licences for his Hackney Coaches in season, Report

That it appears that the Petitioner had Seven Hacks which by the Corporation Laws were required to be Licensed—The Petitioners excuse is, that he was disappointed in procuring the money under these circumstances and as the Petitioner has since been able to find the money And has paid the Licence fees for his Seven Hacks, your Committee recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that the suit against Richard Shee be discontinued on his paying Costs

Samuel Stevens
[205] Thomas T Woodruff
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of J J Jacobs to have a nuisance abated presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of Joseph J Jacobs was referred

Report

That it appears the Pond of Water complained of as a Nuisance in the annexed Petition is situated on private property although it is intersected by one or more contemplated Streets, as laid out on the Commissioners Map—Yet this does not authorise the Corporation to intermeddle with the streets until they are taken by Commissioners

Mr Jacobs remedy if the Pond is really a Nuisance would appear to be to get up a Petition from the neighbours, and the Corporation would then decide if the same ought to be filled up at the expence of the owners of the Pond, or if it ought to be Assessed on the Neighbourhood; at all events the Corporation your Committee believe, have never at their expence filled up Ponds lying on Private property although they were Nuisances.

Your Committee recommend the [206] following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to comply with the prayer of the Petition

Samuel Stevens
Thomas T Woodruff
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump at the corner of Hudson & Perry street presented the following Report.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth ward and the Street Commissioner have considered the within Petition and are of opinion that the prayer of the same ought to be granted and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well and Pump be established near the corner of Hudson and Perry street 25 feet from the corner of Perry street on the Westerly side of Hudson Street north of Perry

John R Peters
Isaac Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[207] The Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in the Bowery between Hester and Grand Street presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Fourteenth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in the Bowery between Hester and Grand streets respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners be granted

Thomas T Woodruff
Wm Jas Macneven
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in 21st Street near the 8th Avenue presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Twelfth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in 21st Street near the 8th Avenue respectfully Report

[208] That in their opinion a Well and Pump is necessary at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted

E Schieffelin
Henry Storm
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Counsel presented a Report on the subject of decision of Supreme Court in the cause of the Corporation against Gordon respecting Lot at the corner of Liberty street and Broadway which was read and referred to the Law Committee

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For regulating and paving parts of Barrow and Commerce streets and Abm Lefoy John B Thorp and John Leonard appointed Assessors

For regulating and paving Mangin street from Broome to Delancy street and Abraham Dally David Lyon and Samuel Purdy appointed Assessors

For a Well and Pump in Twenty first [209] Street near the Eighth

Avenue and Peter Stagg James Fairlie and Isaac Kip appointed Assessors

For regulating First Avenue from North street to Tenth street and Abraham Bloodgood, Peter Pinckney and Thomas Herring appointed Assessors.

For paving side walks of Clarkson street from Greenwich street to Carmine street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine and Shivers Parker appointed Assessors

For regulating and paving Fifth street from the Sixth Avenue to Barrow street and Thomas R Smith John Slidell and Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for a Well and Pump in Suffolk street near North street Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for repaving Forsyth street—Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof.

[210] The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz^{t}

For regulating and paving Chesnut street from Madison to Oak street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For Repaving Christie street from Grand to Bayard street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For a Well and Pump in Orange street between Broome and Spring streets and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the Resignations were accepted and the Appointments made.

Fire Engine C^{o}

N^{o} 11

Charles Berry—Harness Maker Front S^{t} & Old Slip
V^{c} Henry Ulshoeffer Resigned

Hugh W Harral Accountant Pine Street
V^{c} Louis Mallard—Resigned

N^{o} 13

Thomas L Frame—Accountant 28 Beekman S^{t}
V^{c} Abraham Cargill—Resigned

William Eldridge—Accountant Cor Gold & Beekman S^{t}
V^{c} Daniel T Schenck—Resigned

[211] N° 12

Walter Welsh—Brush Maker 88 James S^t^
V^c^ William Haggerty—Resigned

Alexander Jackson Baker 17 Rose Street
V^c^ David Horton—Resigned

Charles Larkey—Book binder 10 Thomas Street
V^c^ John Teller—Time expired

Alexander Stuart Carver James Street
V^c^ John Mildeberger—Time Expired

Duncan P Campbell Printer 195 Pitt Street
V^d^ Allen R Jollie—Resigned

N° 27

George H Groves Blacksmith Beach Street
V^c^ George W Gaffit—Resigned

N° 29

Ralph Runkle—Grocer Cor Spring & Hudson Streets
V^c^ Hugh H Walker—Resigned

N° 31

Andrew Harrison Carpenter 211 Varick S^t^
V^c^ [J. Cox ex^d^] *Resigned*

Benjamin Abrahams Carpenter 159 Church S^t^
V^c^ John Crawford—Resigned

William Joseph Sash Maker 103 Thompson Street
V^c^ George W Summers—Resigned

N° 39

Christopher Giffing Silver smith 40 Chappel S^t^
V^c^ Alfred Seymour—Resigned

Supply Engine Company

N° 1

John Johnson Jun^r^ Blacksmith 40 Leonard
V^c^ William Willis—Deceased

[212] Fire Hook & Ladder C^o^

N° 1

Samuel C Hawkes Merchant Pine Street
V^c^ Charles Fredricks Resigned

N° 5

John Rall—Tailor 420 Grand Street V^c^ Alfred C Harris—Resigned

Fire Wardens Co

8th Ward

Francis F Hill—Accountant 147 Centre Street

Vd Jacob H Ridabock Left the City

The City Inspector presented the following Report accompanied with an Ordinance for filling in certain Lots by the Public the expence to remain a Lien on the land which was referred to the Street Committee—Upon motion of the Recorder the subject was reconsidered and after some debate the Ordinance was passed—The Report of the City Inspector was as follows

The City Inspector respectfully states to the Board, that certain Lots owned by the heirs of the late Thomas Addis Emmet on Twelfth street have been Ordinanced to be filled in with earth, but cannot be complied with in consequence of the unsettled state of their property there

Two Ordinances are herewith presented with the consent of the parties to fill in the said [213] Lots at the public expence in the accustomed manner

George Cuming

City Inspr

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No				
1.	T Hitchcock	Lessee	Sheriff Street	A Lot
2.	H Eckford	owner	Rivington Street	Do
3.	G Mollan	Do	Orchard Street	Do
4.	S Corp	Do	Thompson St	Do
5.	J McD Lawrence	Do	Broome St	Do
6.	Dd P Hall	Do	Avenue D	Do
7.	Jno J Severn	Do	Do	Do
8.	Dd P Hall	Do	Do	Do
9.	C Cleeve	Do	Do	Do
10.	J Carr	Do	William Street	Do
11.	Jas Meinell	Do	do	A privy
12.	Ann Johnson	Do	Do	Do

George Cuming City Inspector

Which were passed

The Report of the Street Committee on subject of opening a Street from Exchange Place to Wall street which was laid on the Table on the 28th July last was called up and referred back to the Street Committee.

[214] Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Streets to report upon the expediency of regulating and paving Troy street and Jane street from *from* Asylum street to Greenwich Lane

Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Lamp Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Lamps to report on the expediency of placing Lamps within the enclosure of the Washington Parade Ground.

Mr Bolster presented the following which was referred to the Finance Committee

Whereas certain Lots of ground near Second street having been Assessed altogether to Mr Eckford for opening said Street which are advertised to be sold on the 13th of the present month to pay the amount assessed, and it appearing that the above property is owned by several individuals—Therefore for the purpose of giving an opportunity to the Commissioners to make the apportionment

Resolved that the sale of the above mentioned Lots be postponed to Monday the 13th of October next at 12 OClock at noon on said day at the City Hall

[215] Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on the Fire Department on the expediency of placing a Fire Engine between Hudson street and Broadway in Greenwich

The Report of the Market Committee on the extension of the Market Limits presented on the 2d June last and laid on the Table was called up the same having been read was as follows

The Market Committee to whom was referred sundry Petitions for the extension of the Market Limits and remonstrances against the same Respectfully

Report

That by the Law to regulate the Public Markets, all that part of the City lying to the Southward of a Line commencing at the foot of North street and running thence thro[u]gh North street and First street to the Bowery Road thence along the middle of the said Road to Thirteenth street, thence along the middle of the said street to the North River was within the Market limits and all persons whatever were prohibited from exposing any fresh meat for sale in any Street

or place within the said Limits, except in the public Markets under the penalty of Ten dollars for each Offence

[216] On the 19th of November last a Resolution was passed by the Common Council extending said Limits so as to include all that part of the City between 10th Street the first Avenue and the East River which Resolution was to have taken effect on the first day of the last month, thus leaving a district between the Bowery first Avenue and first and Tenth streets not included in the Market Limits, within this district several Butchers were at that time located who still remain there

The Committee have every reason to believe from the information they have obtained that it was generally understood untill the question was lately agitated, that the said Resolution had extended the Limits so as to embrace the place occupied by these Butchers, and the Report of the Committee who reported the Resolution justifies the belief, that they intended to extend them.

The Butchers of the Centre Market allege that they are materially injured by Butchers being allowed to sell meat so near them who pay nothing for the privilege to the Corporation, Whereas they have paid large sums for the purchase of their Stalls besides paying a heavy annual Rent.

It is undoubtedly a great accommodation to the Inhabitants residing in that neighbourhood to have a Market establishment near them [217] and they will be greatly incommoded by the removal of these Butchers, And your Committee are of opinion that some arrangement ought to be made for their relief as soon as practicable, but the rights of those who contribute to the City Revenue ought to be protected Your Committee have therefore proposed for the consideration of the Board An Amendment to the Market Law extending the Market Limits so as to embrace the district omitted in the said Resolution

All which is respectfully submitted

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman

After some discussion it was moved to lay the same on the table— The question being taken thereon and a Division called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Lozier Coe Peters Ostrander Pittman Mr Brown Amerman Meserole Bolster Storms 12

In the Negative Ald Mott Ireland Lamb Valentine Woodruff Mr Wyckoff Stevens Shepherd Sibell Palmer 10

[218] So it was carried in the Affirmative and laid on the Table accordingly.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 25th August	$50.33
Recd for Streets	9606.17
" " Rents	6593.24
" " Tax of 1827	2241.43
" " Tavren Licences	1000.
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	695.50
" " Superior Court fees	389.25
" " Justices Courts	192.03
" " Wells & Pumps	191.
" " Fines of Attorney	141.69
" " Mayoralty fees	90.50
" " Marine Court fines	20.
Temporary Loan of Mechanics Bank to [be] returned from Tax	12.000.
	$33.211.14

61 Accounts audited and ordered to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1485.75
Astin & Hibberd do 2d "	976.50
Stagg & Herring do 3d "	969.50
Geo: Cuming City Inspector 1 Qur Salary 1 Septr	200.
D Hageman Superdt Wharves 1 Qr 5 Sept	150.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall 1 Mo 1 Sept	77.50
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield " "	69.75
O Ayres Asst City Inspector " "	58.50
[219] J Coffin Asst City Inspector " "	58.50
C Gilman Keeper of Battery " "	39.94
A McCready Keeper Park " "	38.75
D T Valentine Marshal Marine Court " "	32.50
J. J Shoemaker Street Inspector 1 Ward " "	46.50
T Woolcocks do 2d " " "	46.50
J. B Ebbetts do 3d " " "	46.50
N B Lyon do 4 " " "	46.50
S Waddell do 6 " " "	46.50
B Fuller do 7 " " "	46.50
Wm G Babb do 8 " " "	46.50
H Mott do 9 " " "	46.50
T Austin do 10 " " "	46.50
J Woodruff do 11 " " "	46.50
D Hubberd do 13 " " "	46.50
B OConner do 14 " " "	46.50
James Rogers repairs to Clock in Mayors Office	32.50
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removing Nuisances 1 Mo 1 Septr	69.37
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health " "	52.
A Parker do " "	52.

J Ahern making Books of Ald & St Inspectors of holders of Tavren Licences	46.66	
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 7 Septr	119.79	
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Month 1 Septr	80.67	
J Gilbert Clerk 3 Markets " "	65.	
P Amerman " do " "	53.50	
J Bremner " Catharine do " "	62.	
G Duryee " Fulton do " "	41.67	
[220] I Asten Sweeper Fulton Market " "	46.19	
R Smith Clerk Franklin Market " "	38.75	
J Seaman do Manhattan " " "	31.	
Jacob Hays for Officers Extra service Police 1 Qr 26 August	345.08	
J Hays for Officers conveyg Prisoners to City Prison 1 Qr August	316.	
J Hays " " " to Penitentiary & House of Refuge to 26 August	10.50	
H Maxwell Dist Attorney 1 Qur Salary 12 August	759.62	
G Snethen Lightg Lamps 1 Mo 1 Septr	1281.75	
J Macey & Son 17 Casks Oil	622.50	
Saml Judd 7 " Do	591.60	
R Provoost repairing Lamps 1 Month 1 Septr	312.09	
American Subscription 6 Months 26th August	50.	
E Weeks Atty for Chs Coles Actt reg 2d St fm Bowery to Lewis St	1300.	
J L Riker Atty for Jas Perry Mortgage on Estate of Peter Pulis awd opening Commerce & Raisen Sts fm Bedford to Barrow Sts	830.	
T Cummings bal reg & pav Mercer St fm Amity St to Coles line	496.48	
T Cummings Actt reg 5th Avenue fm 11th to 13th Streets	400.	
H Smith Actt repav James Steet fm Madison to Cherry St	200.	
S Fargay Actt repav Catharine Slip fm Cherry to South St	160.	
Estate J Sloan bal pav Amity St fm Broadway to 6 Avenue	50.	
P McGlinn for Well Mott St near Spring St	84.85	
J McBarren do Laurens near Bleecker St	84.	
J McBarren bal Well Ludlow near North St	30.	
J Gallagher Junr bal Well Sullivan near Amity St	25.87	
J McBarren bal Well Suffolk near North Street	20.58	
J Fleming to adjust Tax to be paid to the State & returned	12.595.53	
A Burtis Superdt for Alms House	7000.	33.072.74
	Balance	$138.40

Board adjourned to this day a fortnight at 5 OClock P M

[221] In Common Council September 22d 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Jacob Wyckoff
William W Mott	Samuel Stevens
William H Ireland	Isaac Brown
Anthony Lamb	John Shepherd Junr
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	John F Sibell
Stuart F Randolph	Isaac Amerman
John R Peters	Bernard J Meserole
Gideon Ostrander	Henry B Bolster
Lemuel Pittman	Henry Storms
Abm M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of a number of Butchers of the Centre Market requesting that a former Petition presented by them to have the Market Limits of the City extended may be acted on and disposed of was read and laid on the Table it was afterwards called up and read

A Remonstrance was presented from sundry [222] owners of property in Provoost street against repaving the Street and repairing the Side walks alledging that the hot water issuing from the Steam Mill of Messrs Kains Marble Manufactory was the occasion of injuring the Pavement and they were of opinion that the expence of repaving should be borne by Messrs Kane which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of Whitehead Hicks and others against removing the Houses in Madison street until the Spring, was read and laid on the Table.

A Petition of Peter G Stuyvesant & others against opening Fourteenth Street from the Bowery to the East River until the first of May next was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Renwick to have certain money received by the Collector for Wharfage of Lot between Catharine and Georges Slip and paid into the Treasury through mistake refunded to him was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Robert Philips to purchase a Gore of ground at the corner of Madison & Pike street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Daniel J Ebbets Collector [223] of the First Ward

for further compensation was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Robert Bogardus praying that proceedings may be staid under an Ordinance passed for filling in certain Lots in the Ninth Ward was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of Stephen D Beekman & others against regulating the 8th Avenue from 13th Street to 21st Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Jacob B Taylor and others for a Market near the corner of 2d Street and the Bowery was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Thomas McKee and others for permission to regulate and pave Clarkson street from Greenwich to Washington street under the direction of a proper Officer of the Board was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of James McAllis & others for a Well & Pump corner of Troy and Asylum Streets in the Ninth Ward was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of A S Pell and others to have 6th Avenue paved from 6th Street to Greenwich Lane was [224] read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Stephen D Weeks & others to have 8th Avenue between 13th & 21st Streets regulated was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of John McNab and others against regulating the 8th Avenue from 13th Street to 21st Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Thomas Morris and others that Jane street from its intersection with Greenwich street and also Asylum street from Greenwich Lane to Bank street may be paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of C Bergh & others to have an addition to the Pier in the vicinity of Gouverneur street Slip at present occupied by the Hay Sloops was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Joshua Gilbert for permission to have his house at the corner of Madison and Clinton street remain until next Spring was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Thomas Hertell & others for permission to repair and enlarge Duane street Market at their own expence was read and referred to the [225] Market Committee.

A Petition of Alexander G Cochran and others for a Well and Pump at the corner of Vestry and Washington streets was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 5th Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Remonstrance of Elbert Anderson against repaving Greenwich street between Christopher & King street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Patrick Mullin to be relieved from a penalty for driving a Hackney Carriage without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants and owners of land in Ann street to have said street widened was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance of sundry owners of Lots in Murray street against having said street repaved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance against repaving Fulton Street between Broadway and the North River was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Samuel Pool for remission of [226] a Fine for driving a Hackney Carriage without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of David P Hall that an apportionment may be made of an Assessment for opening 4th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition for a number of persons for a Well and Pump at the corner of Laight street & Greenwich street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Letter was received from Rembrant Peale offering to sell to the Corporation his large Historical Painting representing Washington giving orders to commence the entrenchments at York Town was read and referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences

The Mayor laid before the Board an injunction which had been served upon him in the Court of Chancery at the suit of George W Murray against the Mayor Aldermen &c &c on subject of an Assessment for benefit awarded to E Barnes which was referred to the Counsel of the Board to enter an appearance

The Mayor laid before the Board an extract of a Law proposed by the revisors of the Statute Laws of the State of New York making provision for pay of [227] Petit Jurors which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Beaver Lane and its vicinity for the removal of the Pump in that Street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 1st Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Jonathan H Nash for a Butchers Licence for Stall N° 22 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of R Stephens for an alteration of the Law passed 23d April 1823 relating to the District Attorney and other Officers of Crimminal Justice in the City of New York by striking therefrom the words "specifying the amount received in each case" was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature

The Finance Committee presented the following Report on the Compensation to be allowed to the Collectors for the several Wards for the next year.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report that agreeably to an Act of the Legislature passed March 15. 1824. The Collectors of the several Wards in this City are to retain in their hands, as a full compensation to each of the said Collectors respectively for their trouble in collecting and paying to the Treasurer [228] the monies which shall be raised in the County, such fees or sum as the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council convened, may in each year, between the first day of August and the first day of October, ordain or establish to be allowed to the Collectors to be elected at the next Annual Election in the said City; and that the present allowance as established by the said Common Council shall continue to be received and retained by the said Collectors, until altered by the Common Council, agreeably to the provisions of the said Law

The Committee have had the subject under consideration, and endeavoured to apportion the Compensation to the several Collectors as equitably as possible; and do accordingly recommend to the Board, the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Fees for the Collectors of the Wards, to be elected at the next Election, shall be as follows.

First	Ward.....	1	per Cent
Second	"	2⅝	"
Third	"	3	"
Fourth	"	3⅝	"
Fifth	"	3¾	"
Sixth	"	4½	"
Seventh	"	5¾	"
Eighth	"	4½	"
Ninth	"	4¼	"

[229] Tenth Ward..... 6¼ per Cent
Eleventh " ..... 5¼ "
Twelfth " ..... 10 "
Thirteenth " ..... 7½ "
Fourteenth " ..... 4½ "

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for repaving Murray street between Broadway & Church street presented a Report in favor of the same Which was read and laid on the Table.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions for and Remonstrances against opening and extending Canal Street to Pump street and widening Pump street to the Bowery presented the following Report, against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions for and Remonstrances against the opening and extending of Canal street to Pump Street and widening Pump street from thence to the Bowery respectfully Report

That in their opinion the opening and continuing Canal street to Pump street only (as set [230] forth in the former Report) would be Judicious and proper But inasmuch as that the Petitioners are desirous that Pump street should also be widened to the Bowery your Committee think that such improvement is not called for, either from Public convenience or private interest, as the expence of such opening and widening would be heavy on the City, and too burthensome on the property in the immediate neighbourhood. Your Committee therefore recommend that the opening of Canal street to Pump street and the widening of Pump street to the Bowery be indefinitely postponed and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolution [Resolved] that it is inexpedient to open and extend Canal street to Pump street and to widen Pump street to the Bowery

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for widening and improving Madison street between Pike & Rutgers street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition for having Madison [231] Street regulated and paved between Pike street and Rutgers street respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Madison street be regulated and repaved from Pike street to Rutgers street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Duane street repaved from Greenwich to Washington streets presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition for having Duane street repaved from Greenwich street to Washington street respectfully Report

That in their opinion, that part of Duane street requires repaving and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Duane street be repaved from Greenwich street to Washington street

Gideon Ostrander
[232] John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
W^m^ S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petitions for repaving South street from Broad to White Hall street and Moore street from South to Front street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petitions for having South street repaved from Broad street to White Hall street and of Moore street from South street to Front Street—Report

That in their opinion those parts of streets require repaving and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that South street be repaved from Broad street to White Hall street and that Moore street be repaved from South street to Front street.

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[233] The Street Committee to whom had been referred back their Report of the 28th of July in relation to opening a Street from Exchange Place presented the following Report—The Report of 28th July was as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and Remonstrances against the opening and Continuing Exchange Place to Wall street respectfully Report

That they have given the subject their careful and deliberate consideration, the result of which is, that they are induced to express their opinion in favor of the application for opening that street, believing as your Committee do, that it will add greatly to the facilities of Communication between Wall street and the mass of immensely Valuable property in that vicinity at an expence comparitavely small to the advantages growing out of the contemplated improvement— For the foregoing reasons and considerations Your Committee are induced to recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Street called Exchange Place be opened and continued to Wall street along the South Easterly side of the Merchants Exchange Buildings as shewn on a Map or plan drawn by J. F Bridges City Surveyor dated April 12th 1828 and marked A.

Resolved that the Counsel to this [234] Board take the usual measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect.

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

The Report presented at this meeting was as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred back the subject of opening and continuing of Exchange Place to Wall street

Respectfully Report

That they have duly considered the subject under all its circumstances together with the objections thereto, and do not see any good reason to recede from their former Report

accordingly they recommend its adoption together with the Resolution thereunto annexed

Gideon Ostrander
Jn° R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

A Remonstrance of persons connected with the Post Office and also of sundry owners of property in Wall street against the proposed Street was presented and read. The Question being taken on the first Resolution proposed in the Report of [235] the 28th July and a Division having been called by Alderman Ireland the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Alderman Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Ostrander Pittman Valentine M^r Brown Sibell Meserole Storms Palmer Macneven 13

In the Negative Ald Smith Mott Ireland Lamb Woodruff M^r Wyckoff Stevens Amerman Bolster 9.

So it was carried in the Affirmative. The second Resolution was then adopted—Alderman Smith gave notice of Reconsideration at the next meeting.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 6th Street regulated from Second Avenue to Avenue A presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Sixth street filled up and regulated from the Second Avenue to Avenue A Respectfully Report

[236] That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Sixth street be filled and regulated from the Second Avenue to Avenue A

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition for Alteration of Market Law so as to prohibit Grocers from selling fresh Pork between the 15th of October and the 15th February at their Stores presented the following Report against the same

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition respectfully Report.

That the Petitioners complain that, that part of the Market Law, which prohibits the sale of fresh meat of any description in any street or place in this City other than the Public Market is constantly violated, inasmuch that in cool weather every Grocery Store in the City is crowded with Fresh Pork which is retailed out by the pound as soon as the weather will permit, and they request [237] that the Corporation will cause the Law to be enforced against the delinquents

By a reference to the Market Law Section 20th it will be found that the sale of Pork in joints or pieces between the 15th of October in any one year & the 15th day of February then next ensuing is not prohibited, and consequently that there is no violation of the Law, by the Owners of these Grocery Stores; and your Committee can see no reason for altering the Law in this respect, they therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners.

Anthony Lamb
Abm M Valentine
Samuel Stevens
W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of Joseph Ferdon for a Butchers Licence for Stall No 10 Grand Street Market.

Respectfully Report

That the Petitioner is now in the occupation of said Stall, and being recommended as a sober and Industrious man and a regular Bred Butcher The Committee propose for the consideration of the [238] Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted

Anthony Lamb
Abm M Valentine
Samuel Stevens
W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Complaint of Mr John Blake against J Haring the Captain of Watch District No 3 and of the Watchmen, presented the following Report

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Complaint of Mr John Blake against Isaac Haring, one of the Captains and Robert McGee one of the Watchmen of the 3d District Watch

Beg leave to Report

That they have given the parties and their Witnesses a patient hearing. It appears that on the night of the 12th of August last between the hours of 11 and 12 OClock McGee arrested a most abandoned Black woman in Elizabeth street who was disturbing the neighborhood by the most vulgar and riotous conduct, when McGee and Mr Gerard a citizen who very properly assisted him, had conducted her to the corner of [239] Wooster and Spring streets notwithstanding her cries of murder, and repeated blows upon the Watchman and Mr Gerard, several Citizens were attracted to the scene, among whom, Mr Blake, and some others were under the impression that a delicate female might be too harshly treated, which induced them to interfere, and particularly Mr Blake to use harsh language and to threaten the Watchman, who threatened him in return and another Watchman coming up, McGee took Mr Blake to the Watch House, and after some dispute, Mr Blake, made an explanation promised to drop the matter, and gave his name and residence, Whereupon he was discharged in presence of Alderman Woodruff, who had been called there by the screams of the woman.

The wench was a little intoxicated, but perfectly able to walk which she refused to do, about the time the Citizens interfered; and the Watchmen and Gerard were obliged to drag her part of the way holding her shoulders up, she continued refractory and outrageous, in the Watch House, and Mr Blake and his associates state, under considerable excitement, that Captain Haring, and one of the Watchmen struck her each a violent blow—but these witnesses and all the others agree, that she was not knocked down, and no one swears that she was injured in the least degree—Your Committee are of opinion that neither of the Watchmen transcended his duty [240] in this case, and that they acted with commendable firmness and prudence under the circumstances, and that the improper interference of Mr Blake, arose from a natural excitement on hearing the cries of a female, and seeing her conducted forcibly along, not being acquainted with the character of the vagabond in custody—Your Committee think it a duty, incumbent on the Common Council, and the Citizens generally to

sustain the Watchmen, in their arduous and necessary duties for the preservation of the lives and property of the Inhabitants of the City

We therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Captain Isaac Haring and Robert McGee of the 3d District Watch are hereby entirely exonerated from the charges made against them by Mr John Blake for their conduct on the night of the 12th of August last and that the Common Council have full confidence in them as Watchmen

Abm M Valentine
John R Peters
John Shepherd Junr
Bernard J Meserole
W Seaman

The same having been read—A motion was made to lay the Report on the Table—A Division having been called by Alderman Ireland the [241] Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Ireland Lamb Mr Stevens Brown 6.

In the Negative—Ald Mott Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Ostrander Valentine Woodruff Mr Seaman Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Palmer Macneven 15

So it passed in the Negative—The Question was then taken on adopting the Report—And a Division having been called by Mr Stevens the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Smith Mott Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph [242] Peters Ostrander Valentine Woodruff Mr Seaman Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Palmer Macneven 18

In the Negative Ald Ireland Mr Stevens Brown 3

So it was carried in the Affirmative.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Mary Marx for relief from fine for not filling in a Lot presented the following Report in favor

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Mary Marx

Report

That the Petitioner was fined by reason of not having complied with an Ordinance of the Board requiring her to fill in certain sunken Lots—It now however appears that she has complied with the Ordinance, and she also states that the original non compliance with the notice from the City Inspectors Office, arose from the neglect of her agent, who had [243] orders to fill in the Lots

Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the suit against Mrs Mary Marx be discontinued on the payment of Costs by her

Lemuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Martin for relief from fine for driving Cart without Licence presented the following Report against the same

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Martin praying to be relieved from payment of a fine for driving a Cart without Licence Report

That there are no circumstances set forth in Petitioners petition which properly entitles him to relief—Your Committee are informed that there are many persons driving Carts without Licences, and that it is necessary and proper that the Laws should be enforced, and to remit such fines, on the plea of neglect or poverty is virtually repealing the Ordinance

They offer the following Resolution

[244] Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James McDonald for relief from Fine for driving Cart without license presented the following Report against the same.

The Police Committee Report upon the Petition of James McDonald for remission of fine for driving a Cart for hire without a Licence that there is nothing in the Petitioners case which in the Opinion of the Committee entitles him to relief—They offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jeduthan Snow to be [245] relieved from the payment of a fine for incumbering the Side walks &c presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom the Petition of J Snow was referred Report

That the Petitioner has been fined Five dollars for incumbering the Street, the Offence is admitted and the Committee have been informed that the Petitioner was first frequently advised and notified that he would be complained of if he incumbered the Street—The plea is poverty which your Committee think is not sufficient They offer the following.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Abijah Arden for relief from an Assessment on her personal property in the 9th Ward presented the following Report

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Miss Abijah Arden stating she had been Assessed for her personal property in the first Ward and in the Ninth Ward which last is [246] an erroneous Assessment as she now is and for the last nigh two years past has resided in the 1st Ward and never has resided in the 9th Ward

Respectfully Report

That inasmuch as the Revised Laws declare (p 226) "every person shall be assessed in the town or ward where he resides when the Assessment is made for all personal estate owned by him." They have endeavoured to ascertain her place of residence at the time of the Assessment, several persons have been produced before your Committee who swear that Miss Arden has Boarded at Mrs Barkers No 40 Broadway with the exception of Occasional absence, which they understood she spent in the Country, since about September of Last year. that they considered that, to be her place of residence and they sought her there, as at her home for the transaction of Bussiness. Mrs Barker swears that Miss Arden has Boarded at her house since

last September except being occasionally absent that she Boarded by the week, and paid at the end thereof, and she did not consider her room engaged to Miss Arden during her absence, and that she may have been absent during the above period half of the time, but at what particular time is unable to say, occasionally for 10 days or a fortnight at a time when she understood she was gone to the Country but she might have been boarding elsewhere without he[r] M^{rs} Barkers [247] knowing it, but always considered her house as Miss Ardens home when in town, and she has during that time kept her trunk and wardrobe there.

The Assessors of the 9th Ward understanding that Miss Arden was a Resident of their ward called on her on or about the 29th May at a room she hired in that ward and gave her notice that she was entered on their Books as a Resident there.

She then informed them she expected she had been assessed in the 1st Ward as she Resided there. The Assessors of the 1st Ward state that Miss Ardens name was not given at M^{rs} Barkers when they obtained the names of the other persons in that house, who were subject to taxation, but they had afterwards received a hint to enquire for Miss Arden and noticed it on their Books, they did enquire, and were told she lived in the Ninth Ward and they had got her there. She afterward called upon them about the 15th to the 20th June and her name was formally entered for the sum she stated to them. Referring to the annexed affidavit of Catharine Traphagan it will be seen that Miss Arden about the last of May or first of June took Board at her house for the summer season but continued only for a week, and requested M^{rs} Traphagan that if the Assessors with big Books called not to let them know that she Miss Arden boarded there— From these facts your Committee have come to the conclusion that as Miss Arden occasionally changed her place [248] of Boarding she must have been absent from M^{rs} Barkers about the last of May or the first of June and was at that time Boarding at M^{rs} Traphagans and therefore was a resident of the 9th Ward when the Assessment was made at which time she had notice from the Assessors and that her returning to M^{rs} Barkers after this and calling upon the Assessors for the 1st Ward, was changing her residence after the Assessment had been made in the 9th Ward and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant Miss Abijah Arden any relief from the Assessment on her personal property in the 9th Ward, and the Collector of the 1st Ward be requested to Return the amount

Assessed on her in said Ward among the errors and delinquencies of said Ward

Bernard J Meserole
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
I Amerman
H. B. Bolster

Further Affidavits were then presented from Miss Arden and from her Coachman James Johnson.

A Motion was then made that said Affidavits be read. The Question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative—The Question was then taken on agreeing to the Report of the Committee which was carried in the Affirmative. The Report was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[249] The Committee on the Fire Department presented a Report relative to notice from Trustees of Rutgers Street Church to remove Engine N° 26 from off their premises

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully Report That they have been notified by the Trustees of Rutgers street Church to remove Fire Engine N° 26 from of their premises, and in pursuance of said notice your Committee have ordered her from that place, and have caused the House to be taken down. And your Committee have therefore to ask permission of the Board to purchase the Lot of ground offered for sale in that immediate neighbourhood on Madison near Rutgers street, at a price not exceeding Eight hundred dollars and to direct a suitable house to be erected thereon for the above purpose, The lot is about Fourteen feet six inches front and rear by Forty six feet deep—Accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Committee on the Fire Department have power to purchase the Lot and to cause a house to be erected thereon in conformity to the above Report—Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[250] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition from Members of Fire Engine Company N° 46 for an Alarm Bell at Rose Hill presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the

within Petition of Fire Engine Company N° 46 for a Fire Alarm Bell to be affixed on their Engine House at Rose Hill—Report

That in the opinion of your Committee the prayer of the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted. Your Committee would therefore suggest the propriety of sending the Bell now on the Watch House corner of Prince & Wooster Streets to Rose Hill, it being deemed too small for that Neighbourhood, and cause one of a more suitable size to be placed on said Watch House.

Accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to place Bells in conformity to the above Report under the direction of this Committee

Respectfully submitted
Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[251] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of a number of persons for a Fire Engine at the corner of Prince & Wooster street presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the within Petition of sundry Inhabitants of the Eighth Ward for the location of a Fire Engine at the corner of Prince & Wooster streets

Respectfully Report

That as there is but one Engine in that Neighborhood it appears to your Committee that the prayer of the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted and to carry into effect the above recommendation your Committee would suggest the propriety of removing Engine N° 24 from her present location at Firemans Hall to that place, the proposed site belongs to the Corporation, and is now vacant, the only necessary expence therefore will be the erection of a House suitable for her accommodation accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to erect an Engine House at the corner of Prince & Wooster streets and to remove Engine N° 24 from her present location to that place

Respectfully submitted
Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[252] The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom had been referred back their Report made 14th July last on subject of removing Hay Scales from Governeur Slip to Stanton Street presented the following Report—The Report of the 14th July was as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom the enclosed Petition and Remonstrance on the subject of removing the Hay Scales from Gouverneur Slip to the foot of Stanton street

Respectfully Report

That they are of opinion it is inexpedient to remove said Hay Scales at present and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to remove the Hay Scales from Gouverneur Slip to Stanton street

John R Peters
Isaac Brown
John Shepherd Junr
Wm H Ireland

The Report made this day was as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips Respectfully Report—Upon the reconsideration of their former Report and the enclosed Petitions and Remonstrances that in their opinion the removal of the Hay Scales to Stanton street would not essentially benefit that [253] Section and that the present location at Gouveneur Slip appears to accommodate the Eastern Section of the City—Therefore, your Committee submit a Copy of the Resolution attached to their former Report.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to remove the Hay Scales from Gouverneur Slip at present

John R Peters
Wm H Ireland
Isaac Brown
John Shepherd Junr

Whereupon a Motion was made to lay the same on the Table—The Question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative—The Question was then taken on agreeing to the Report which was carried in the Affirmative—The Report was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Application for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Edward C Clifford to be appointed Measurer of Grain & Coal presented the following Report in favor.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Edward C Clifford to be appointed a measurer of

Grain, have made inquiry as to the Character and Qualifications of the Applicant, and find him well recommended to perform the duties of the Office. They therefore [254] Offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Edward C Clifford be and he is hereby appointed a Measurer of Grain and Coal in the place of Abraham Day deceased.

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and he was accordingly appointed a Measurer of Grain & Coal

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of Albert Cocks and James Barton to be appointed City Weighers presented the following Report.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of James Barton and Albert Cocks to be appointed City Weighers have made particular enquiry as to the Character and Qualifications of the applicants to perform the duties of the Office they apply for, and find them well recommended. Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that James Barton and Albert Cocks be and they are hereby appointed City Weighers in the place of William Craft and William J Brower resigned.

[255] John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and Albert Cocks and James Barton were accordingly appointed City Weighers.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump at the corner of Wooster and 4th Street presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner respectfully

Report

Upon the subjoined Petition that in their opinion the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted, and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well and Pump be established 25 feet West of Wooster street on the Northerly side of Fourth street.

John R Peters
Isaac Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

[256] For repaving South street from Broad street to Whitehall street, And Moore street from South to Front street and Abraham Bloodgood, Peter Pinckney & Thomas Herring appointed Assessors.

For repaving Duane street from Greenwich to Washington street and Henry Ritter Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts appointed Assessors.

For regulating and paving Madison street from Pike to Rutgers street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine & Shivers Parker Appointed Assessors.

For regulating Sixth street from the Second Avenue to Avenue A and Alpheus Sherman Charles Dusenburry & James Barclay appointed Assessors.

For a Well and Pump in Fourth street near Wooster street and Joshua Hatfield Pine Hopkins and George C Hawthorn appointed Assessors.

Upon Recommendation of the Street Commissioner Morris D Camp was appointed Collector on the following Assessments Viz[t]

For opening Jane Street
" " Sixty first street
" " Fourteenth street
" " Seventeenth Street &
For widening Madison Street.

[257] and Nicholas C Everitt was appointed Collector on the following Assessments

For opening Fifth Avenue
" " Sixth Avenue &
" " Eighty sixth street

And Thomas Cottrell was appointed Collector on the following Assessments.

For opening Nineteenth street } from 6[th] to 8[th] Avenue
" " Twentieth street }
" " Twentieth street from 3[d] Avenue to Bloomingdale Road &
For opening Minetto Street

The Street Commissioner presented the following return of Delinquents Viz[t]

For opening Commerce and Reason streets &
For opening Green streets.

And Warrants were ordered to issue to Nicholas C Everitt the Collector thereof to collect the same.

Also for repaving Catharine Street from Cherry Street to the Slip for repaving James Street from Madison to Cherry Street For paving Scammel street from Grand to Lombardy Street—And Warrants were ordered to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof to collect the same

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collector appointed thereto Viz[t]

[258] For regulating and paving West street from Duane to Harrison street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For regulating and repaving Pearl street between Chatham & Cross streets and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For a Well and Pump in Perry near Washington street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For paving Avenue C from North to Second street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For a Well and Pump in Crossby street between Broome and Spring street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For pitching and paving Greenwich Lane from 6th Avenue to 13th Street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the Resignations were accepted and appointments made Viz[t]

Fire Engine C[o] N[o] 5

John Holdsworth Hatter 19 Liberty S[t]
V[c] Thomas E Kerrison—Left the City

[259] N[o] 8

Jeremiah Craig Painter 36 Mulberry S[t]
V[c] Jeremiah Hunt—Resigned

N[o] 13

Washington Van Wyck Accountant 77 Beekman S[t]
V[c] Stephen D Thorne—Resigned

Walter Titus Jun[r] Accountant 25 Market S[t]
V[c] Benjamin M Underhill—Resigned

William Jagger Hatter 206 Broadway
V[c] Sidney S Franklin—Resigned

N[o] 14.

Abraham Cargill—Tinman 8 Birmingham S[t]
V[c] James Sheilds—Left the City

N° 16

Garrit Derling Carpenter 320 Grand S[t]
V[c] William L Degraw—Time Expired
Andrew S Titus—Carpenter 11 Lombardy S[t]
V[c] Peter Stevens—Resigned

N° 18

Walter Welsh
William A Haydock } —Resigned

N° 23

John Parsons—Coppersmith 212 Water S[t]
V[c] John Lent—Resigned
Gilliam Rutan Carver 53 Leonard S[t] V[c] Joseph Keen—Resigned

N° 24

Samuel H Greenfield—Resigned

[260] N° 27

George Luke Jun[r] Grocer, Beach & Greenwich S[t]
V[c] John Hinton Appointed Warden

N° 32

John Boyce—Chain Maker 171 Chrystie S[t]
V[c] John Slagle—Left the City

N° 33

James Allaire—Blacksmith 462 Cherry S[t]
V[c] Charles H Hamor Resigned
Henry Estler—Steam Engine Maker 72 Broome S[t]
V[c] Joseph Tompkins Resigned
Thomas Smith Brass Founder 69 Broome S[t]
V[c] Abraham Lamoreux—Resigned

N° 36

John Westerfield Mason 13 Watts S[t] V[c] Isaac Van Vorst Resigned

N° 41

John F Mason Grocer, Delancy & Lewis S[ts]
V[c] Zabud Quick—Resigned

N° 44

Thomas McDonald Ship Carpenter Stanton S[t]
V[c] Jonathan H Gedney—Resigned
James Smith—Ship Joiner C[o] Stanton & Lewis S[ts]
V[c] William Lockwood. Resigned

Robert McVoy—Ship Carpenter Avenue D near 5th St
Vc Stephen Smith—Resigned
Charles A Whittingham—Ship Joiner Clinton near Grand St
Vc Alexander McDonald—Resigned

[261] No 46

William Nunn Pianafort Maker 3d Avenue—to fill the Company.

No 47

John B Rowlee—Ship Carpenter 10th Street
To fill the Company.
Charles D Holmes Ship Carpenter Forsyth St To fill the Company

Fire Hook & Ladder Co

No 2

Richard Morrell & Joseph C Stanley—Resigned

No 5

Edward Moore Lock smith 74 Columbia St
Vc Zabud Quick—Resigned
Selden Benjamin Do
Smith Ellison Do
Paul Palmer Do

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No 1.	Dd Playfoot	Occupt	No 182	Chrystie St	A Lot
2.	Jh Graham	owner		Second St	Do
3.	C Judah	Agent		Do	Do
4	M Hillyer	Do		Do	Do
5	Jno J Astor	Owner		Do	Do
6	A Geibs	Agent		Burton St	Do
7.	[262] Wm Paulding Jr	Owner		Amos St	Do

George Cuming Cy Inspector

Which were passed.

The Report of the Committee on Public Offices on the subject of the Inspection of Lime which were presented on the 8th Inst and laid for consideration was called up and read in the following words.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred a Petition respecting the appointment of Inspectors of Unslacked or Quick lime —Respectfully beg leave to Report

That after having fully examined the subject they are of opinion that the Law entitled "A Law to regulate the Inspection of unslacked or Quick Lime" passed May 19. 1828—should be so amended as to have nine Inspectors of unslacked or Quick Lime instead of the number at present therein provided, and that it shall and may be the duty of either of the Inspectors to inspect all qualities of Lime which may be brought or exposed in this City for sale.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following amendment to the present Law And the annexed Resolution.

All which is respectfully Submitted

J. F Sibell
B. J. Meserole
[263] William S Coe
John Lozier

The Law was also read when Mr Stevens proposed a Law as a substitute for that reported by the Committee which was read and passed under the Title of "A Law to regulate the Inspection of Unslacked or Quick Lime"

The Committee on Applications for Office on the several Petitions for Inspector of Lime presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions of William Hyer William Bussing, Caleb Crane, Henry Ryer, Samuel D Throop, John Worth, Benjamin Westervelt, Thomas Foote and John Ross to be appointed Inspectors of Slacked and Quick Lime, have made enquiry as to the necessity of appointing Inspectors of Quick as well as of Slacked lime, And whereas Ordinances have passed the Board of Common Council for the appointment of Nine Inspectors of Slacked and Quick Lime therefore

Resolved that William Hyer, William Bussing, Caleb Crane, Henry Ryer, Samuel D Throop, John Worth, Benjamin Westervelt, Thomas Foote and John Ross be and they are hereby appointed Measurers and Inspectors of Slacked and Quick Lime for the City and County of New York.

John Lozier
[264] Isaac Brown
William S Coe

The Law passed at the present Meeting having provided for the continuance in Office of all the Inspectors named in the Report of the Committee excepting John Ross, it was moved that he be appointed

an Inspector of Slacked and Quick lime which was agreed to, and he was appointed accordingly.

The Report of the Market Committee on subject of extending the Market Limits which was laid on the table together with a Law reported were now called up and read. For Report see Page 215 this Book. The Law was in the words following

A Law to amend the Law entitled "A Law to regulate the public Markets."

Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened, that from and after the first day of next no person shall be liable to any penalty for selling or exposing for sale fresh meat in any street or place in this City to the Northward of a line commencing at the East River at the foot of Tenth street, and running thence through Tenth street to the Bowery Road and thence through the middle of the Bowery Road and thence along the middle of Thirteenth street to the North or Hudson River. And [265] that the last proviso of the XXth Section of the Law hereby amended is hereby repealed.

On the question of agreeing to the Law it was carried in the Affirmative. The question was then taken on filling up the blank. Motions to fill up with 1st of January & 1st December were severally negatived. It was then moved to fill up the same with 1st November which was agreed to. The Law was then passed under the Title of "A Law to amend the Law entitled "A Law to regulate the Public Markets" M^{r} Bolster gave notice of reconsideration at next meeting.

M^{r} Recorder presented the following preamble and Resolution which were referred to the Committee on Jail & Bridewell & Committee on Arts & Sciences.

Whereas the time is fast approaching when in conformity to the views of the Common Council for the better administration of the affairs of the City, the Old goal and Bridewell must be removed, or modified, and the City Hall rendered commensurate to the increase of the Public bussiness. Therefore

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to make a Report to this Board concerning the premises.

M^{r} Seaman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the [266] Finance Committee to report the Compensation that should be allowed to the Collectors of Assessments for monies collected under the Ordinances reported by the City Inspector.

Alderman Ireland presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the Street Commissioner direct the owners of the Lots laying on Warren street, between Washington and West streets and the owners of Lots of ground on West street between Murray & Warren streets to have their walks flagged.

His Honor the Mayor presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the propriety of regulating and repaving Jay street from Washington to Staple street—And Washington street from Jay street to Harrison street.

Mr Stevens presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that His Honor the Mayor, issue his Proclamation offering a Reward of Two hundred and fifty Dollars, for the discovery and conviction of each individual concerned in setting [267] fire to the Store and dwelling House No 177 Greenwich street on the night of the 21st Inst

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner

Resolved that a Well and Pump be placed at the junction of Barrow & Bedford streets.

Alderman Randolph presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Lamp Committee.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Lamps be directed to place the usual number of Lamps in Laurens street between Canal & Spring Streets.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Act 8th Inst		138.40
Recd for Tax of 1827	13.211.63	
Deduct loan 8th Inst bond not issued	12.000.00	
		1211.63
Recd for Streets		8152.25
" for Rents		2256.90
" " Commutation Alien passengers		1195.
" " Justices Courts		640.05
" " Clerk of Sessions fees		144.24
" " Mayoralty fees		80.
" " Wells & Pumps		49.
Loan of Mechanics Bank Authorised 25th August on Act		20.000.00
		$33.867.47

[268] 43 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Hibberd do 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring Do 3d "	945.
Manhattan Company Water for 3 Markets & Jail 1 Year to May 1823	145.
J Morton Clerk C Council for Hacks Acts &c	76.
Wm S Smith Collector City Revenue 1 Qr 22d Sept & expences	303.50
I. A Isaac St Inspector 5th Ward 1 Month 1s Sept	46.50
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 21st Septr	140.67
J Macy & Son 19 Casks Oil	1493.50
Thos W Jenkins & Co 6 Casks Oil	282.20
F Hall & Co Subscription to Commercial 6 Mo 10 Septr	50.
Thos R Smith & Associates Comrs fees & expences Openg 86th St fm 8th Avenue to E River	676.
R. Munson & Associats Do Do openg 6 Avenue fm 21st St to Bloomingdale Road	588.63
S Cowdrey & Associates do do openg 14th St fm Bowery to E River	895.94
M Ulshoeffer Attys fees & Court charges openg do Do	301.24
M Ulshoeffer Do Do openg 17th St fm 6 Avenue to Fitzroy Road	246.69
P. Stagg & Associates Comrs fees & Expences Openg 17th St do Do	360.75
T Cumming bal reg 13th St fr Broadway to Hudson River	3919.86
T Cumming bal reg 6th Avenue fm Greenwich Lane to 13th St	1003.63
R Pettigrew Actt reg & pav Henry fm Oliver to Rutgers St	2500.00
H Smith bal reg & pav Caroline fm Duane to Jay St	560.04
J Culbert bal reg Mulberry St fm Prince to Bleecker St	557.39
D Mehan Actt repav Christie fm Grand to Bayard St	200.
H Smith bal reg & pav Madison fm Clinton to Walnut St	175.29
T Cummings bal reg & pav Perry St fm Greenwich Lane to Washington St	166.73
S Fargay bal repav Madison fm Pearl to Oliver St	142.05
[269] H Spencer Atty for Abm Stagg bal reg & pav First St fm 1st Avenue to North St	65.47
O Smith bal pav Mott St fm Prince to Houston St	48.67
H Cochran bal repav Water St fm Roosevelt St to James Slip	34.07
T Cummings bal reg & pav Minetto fm Herring to Carmine St	27.11
T Cummings bal reg & pav Greenwich fm Hammond to Bank St	14.58
R Brandt 1st payt Masons Contracts buildg Canal St Market	2575.
J McBarren for a Well Elizabeth near Houston St removed	124.
R Graves Street Comr Actt repairs Roads	1000.
R Graves Do Actt repairs Lands & Places	250.
R Graves Do Actt work 8th Avenue	200.

Jacob P Roome Superdt	Repairs for	Docks & Slips.....	4503.	
J. P Roome	"	Fire Department.....	1600.	
J. P. Roome	"	Repairs	1500.	
J. P. Roome	"	Pumps	300.	
J. P. Roome	"	Lamps	200.	
J. P. Roome	"	Alms House	161.	
A Burtis Super	Alms House for	Alms House.....	3000.	33.710.61

Balance $156.86

The Board then adjourned to Monday the *the* 6th October next at 5 OClock P. M.

[270] In Common Council October 6th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Junr
William S Coe	James Lynch
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Abm M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	James Palmer
	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of William D Coit to be appointed a Weighmaster was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition from Thomas Hertell & others [271] for the entire removal of the Duane Market also the adjoining Engine House, and that, that part of the said Street may remain a Public Square, was read and referred to the Committee on Markets and Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of John Gritman to be appointed a Butcher in the Duane Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John W Palmer for a Butchers Licence for Stall No 54 Fulton Market formerly occupied by the late James Van Arsdale was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Hoffman Lessee of Docks & Slips stating that a Schooner having sunk at Pier No 26 and in consequence thereof

Vessels have refused to come in said Basin and praying the same may be removed, And also that the Counsel may be instructed to Defend any suit or suits that may be instituted against him on account of collecting the Wharfage arising from North Moore and Provoost Streets was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Peter A Jay & others for the extension of Canal Street to Pump street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[272] A Petition of Archibald Ball & John Westervelt praying to be appointed Inspectors of Lime were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of John Shotwell of Haverstraw in the County of Rockland & State of New York praying for relief stating that his property in Fly Market street was erroneously sold for Taxes &c was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Robert Bogardus & 406 others for the permanent extension of Canal Street sewer and also the public ground situated on the Southerly side of Canal street between Washington & West streets be set apart as a Stand for Country Waggons &c when the New Market is completed, was read and referred to the Finance and Canal Committees.

A Petition of John Peters and others praying that the regulation of the 8th Avenue may be dispensed with until next Spring was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Smith praying for a suspension of payment of the Assessments due on the property of Andrew Smith (who is now in Europe) for the space of Five months was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[273] A Petition of Catharine Traphagan for the suspension of payment of the Assessment due on regulating Greenwich Lane and also for paving the same until next Spring was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of William Parcyels & others that, that part of 5th Street from Washington Square to Barrow street may be named Barrow street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Nicholas Fish & others for a Market near the Intersection of the Bowery & 3d Avenue was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the owners of property on 21st Street praying the Common Council to accept as a Public Well & Pump in said Street between the 8th & 9th Avenues The Well has been built by them at

their own expence was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward & Street Commissioner

A Petition of George P Rogers praying for permission to erect an Iron Railing in front of his Building on 6th Street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

[274] A Petition of a number of persons for a Well & Pump on 5th Street near Barrow street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants of Newtown Bushwick & Williamsburgh Long Island praying that the proprietors of the Ferry between Williamsburgh and New York may be compelled to run three Boats on said Ferry was read and referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of Richard Hoppock for remission of a fine for breach of Law relative to Fire Department was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of the Firemen of the City praying the Common Council to obtain the passage of an Act to alter the term of service of the Firemen from Ten to Seven years was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A Petition of Thomas R Smith Samuel Purdy and Peter L Webb stating that they were appointed by the Supreme Court in May last Commissioners for the purpose of ascertaining the damages and assessing the benefits by reason of opening 122d Street from 3d [275] Avenue to the East River, that they have attended to the same, and that the damages which would be incurred, would exceed the benefits and praying to be discharged from the subject was read and referred to the Law Committee.

A Communication was received from J. P Simpson Sealer of Weights and Measures recommending the Common Council to take State Law Reported by the Revisors on the subject of Weights and Measures into their immediate consideration, stating that by this Law the Liquid Measures are to be made to conform to the capacity of the Dry Measure, the effect of which, will be to derange the whole system of trade, which being read was referred to the Law Committee and the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of William Vernon & Co praying that the West side of Coffee House Slip may be repaved and regulated was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Henry Doane praying that an error in an Assessment on his late brothers property may be corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of William M Whitaker for the purchase of a gore of ground adjoining his property at the corner of Rutgers and Madison streets was read [276] and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Henry C Sperry & others to have a Law passed by the Legislature making it the duty of the persons buying or selling Hay in Bundles to have the same weighed was read and referred to the Law Committee.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the subject of placing a Well & Pump at the junction of Barrow & Bedford streets presented the following Report in favor.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner respectfully Report upon the above, that a Well & Pump is much wanted and offer the following Resolution Viz[t]

Resolved that a Well and Pump be placed North side of Barrow street 25 *five* feet west of Bedford street

John R Peters
I Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in Troy street [277] near Asylum street presented the following Report in favor

The Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed petition for a Well and Pump in Troy street near Assylum Street Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion a Well and Pump is necessary at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted.

John R Peters
I Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Phillips to purchase a gore of Land awarded to the Corporation by Commissioners for widening Madison street at the corner of Pike street presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Robert Phillips who wishes to purchase a gore of Land awarded to the Corporation by the Commissioners for widening Madison street, at the corner of Madison & Pike Street. The Petitioner owns the adjoining lot and is ready to pay the sum of $850, [278] at which the gore was valued to the Corporation.

Your Committee think, that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted, and they therefore, as is usual in such cases, recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel prepare the usual Deed to Robert Phillips for the above gore of land, for the consideration of Eight hundred and fifty dollars besides expences

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Executors of the Estate of the late Cornelius Ray for a Water Grant in front of their premises from 28th Street to a line 31 feet Northward of 30th Street presented the following Report

The Finance Committee respectfully Report—on the within Petition of the executors of the Estate of the late Cornelius Ray, for a Water Grant in front of their premises from 28th Street to a line 31 feet Northward of 30th Street—Your Committee recommend that a Grant be made out to them, to the Eleventh Avenue, in front of their said premises, upon [279] the same terms, conditions and reservations as are contained in the Grant to the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church at the rent of 30 Cents per foot of front until 1840 inclusive 60 Cents until 1850 inclusive, & 90 Cents until 1860 inclusive and 120 Cents for ever after—The following Resolution is therefore Respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Counsel prepare the Water Grant for the above premises, upon the above terms—The grantees [to] pay all expences,

and that the same be authenticated, in the usual manner, during the recess of the Board.

Respectfully submitted
W Seaman
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Renwick to have certain monies refunded to him Collected and paid by the Collector in the City Treasury presented the following Report

The Finance Committe respectfully Reports, on the within Petition of James Renwick Esqr who prays to have returned to him $246,72/100 being wharfage paid to the Corporation Collector, by the Collector of wharfage, in front of a Lot between Catharine & Georges Slips. It seems that the Corporation have no [280] claim to receive the wharfage in question, and that the Corporation Collector ought to have this sum returned to him in order that he may repay it to the Petitioner.

The following Resolution is therefore submitted

Resolved that the Comptroller pass a Warrant in favor of William S Smith, Corporation Collector, for the sum of Two hundred and forty six 72/100 Dollars for the above purpose

Respectfully submitted
W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 14th Street opened between the Bowery and the Hudson river, presented the following Report in favor.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Fourteenth street opened between the Bowery and the Hudson River

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the opening of that street is necessary and proper and ought to be carried into effect

And accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that Fourteenth Street be [281] opened between the Bowery and the North or Hudson River.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect.

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Peter G Stuyvesant and others to have the opening of 14th Street between the Bowery and the East River suspended presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Peter G Stuyvesant and others to have the opening of 14th Street between the Bowery and the East River suspended until the 1st of May next respectfully

Report

That in the opinion of your Committee the request of the Petitioners ought not to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioners.

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
[282] Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas McKie and others for permission to regulate and pave Clarkson street from Greenwich to Washington street presented the following Report in favor

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas McKie and others for permission to regulate and pave Clarkson street from Greenwich street to Washington street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the proprietors of Lots on Clarkson street between

Greenwich street and Washington street be permitted to pave that street under the direction of the Street Commissioner

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[283] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jonathan H Nash for a Butchers Licence for Stall N° 22 Catharine Market presented the following Report in favor.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of Jonathan H Nash for Stall N° 22 Catharine Market Respectfully Report

That the said Petitioner is recommended as a man of industrious & sober habits, and as a regular bred Butcher, and Henry Collin the present occupant of said Stall having relinquished his right to the same to the Petitioner—The Committee propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted

Anthony Lamb
W. Seaman
Ab^{m} M Valentine
Samuel Stevens
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in Laight street near Washington street presented the following Report in favor

[284] The Alderman and Assistant of the Fifth ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in Laight street near Washington street respectfully

Report

That in their opinion a Well and Pump is much wanted at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the request of the Petitioners be granted.

Anthony Lamb
John Shepherd Jun^{r}
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in Vestry street near Washington street presented the following Report in favor.

The Alderman & Assistant of the Fifth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in Vestry street near Washington street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is necessary at that place and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the request of the [285] petitioners be granted.

Anthony Lamb
John Shepherd Junr
R Graves.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on cleaning streets presented the following Report on sub[j]ect of quarterly returns for examination from Superintendant of cleaning Streets.

The Committee on cleaning of the Streets of this City respectfully Report, that, according to the provisions of the by-Law on that subject, Mr Bloodgood the Superintendant of Streets, has made the usual Quarterly returns for the examination of your Committee The Quarter ended on the 31st of July last, when the cash balance in the hands of the Superintendant was $108 19/100—For the same quarter the amount expended in this Department was $7890 9/100 and the amount of Manure sold, and deposited $9228,19/100 leaving a balance in favor of the Department of $1338,19/100 for the operations of that Quarter —Your Committee are satisfied with the accounts, and recommend that the same be filed, as usual, in the Comptrollers Office.

All which is respectfully submitted

Edmund Smith
Gideon Ostrander
H. B. Bolster
James Palmer
Abm M Valentine

Which was read and accepted, and the same directed [286] to be printed, And the accounts to be filed in the Comptrollers Office

The Counsel presented the following Resolutions relative to opening 14th Street from Bowery to Hudson River.

I. Resolved that it be desirable for the public convenience to open Fourteenth street, from the Bowery to the Hudson River in the Ninth

and Twelfth wards, the same being a street laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled " An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York, and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807 and partly laid out in and by the act entitled " An Act making certain alterations in the Map or Plan of the City of New York" passed April 11. 1815 And that the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done; And that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the premises in order that the same may be carried into effect.

II. Resolved that the Petition to the Supreme Court in the above matter be authenticated, in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Which were adopted

The Committee on Repairs presented a [287] Report on the examination of the Accounts of the Superintendant of Repairs.

The Committee on Repairs and the Comptroller respectfully Report, that they have examined the Accounts of Jacob P Roome Superintendant of Repairs from 10 January to 4 July 1828

Amount of Warrants to Superintendant	$25.584.
Sundry Articles sold by Do	566.83
	$26.150.83
He has paid agreeably to vouchers examined by the Committee on Repairs 135 Accounts	25.837.06
Balance due Corporation 4 July 1828	$313.77

Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
James Palmer
G N Bleecker Comptr

Which was accepted and directed to be filed

The Committee on the Fire Department presented the following Report on purchase of a Lot of ground in Madison street to erect an Engine House on for No 26 for the sum of $800.

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully Report to the Board that they have purchased the Lot of ground on Madison street near Rutgers street for Eight hundred Dollars for the purpose of erecting an Engine House for Fire Engine No 26, this purchase was

authorised by the Board at [288] the last Meeting, by the adoption of a Resolution submitted by this Committee.

Your Committee have therefore requested the Comptroller to report a Warrant this evening for the payment of the same

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was accepted and approved.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for paving 2d Avenue from 1st to 5th Street—Whereupon a Warrant was directed to issue to Thomas Cottrell Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

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For Regulating and paving Green street from Bleecker to 4th Street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

[289] For regulating and paving a part of Duane street Caroline street to West street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

For repaving Front street from Whitehall Street to Moore street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For regulating and paving Sullivan Street from Bleecker Street to Amity street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

For regulating and paving Broome street from Mangin Street to Bulkhead and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in Thirteenth Street near the Sixth Avenue and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For paving Houston street from Crossby to Elizabeth Street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For regulating and paving Herring street from Christopher to Amos street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors [290] appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well & Pump in Barrow street near Bedford street and Thomas R Smith John Slidell & Cornelius Harsen were appointed Assessors

For a Well & Pump in Vestry street near Washington street and

Joshua Hatfield Pine Hopkins and George C Hawthorn were appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in Laight street near Washington street and Abraham Dally David Lyon and Samuel Purdy were appointed Assessors

For a Well & Pump in the Bowery between Hester and Grand streets and Peter Stagg James Fairlie and Isaac Kip appointed Assessors

For a Well & Pump in Troy street and Alpheus Sherman Charles Dusenberry & James Barclay were appointed Assessors.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, Whereupon the Resignations were accepted & appointment made Viz[t]

Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 4

John Osborn—Sadler N[o] 15 Beekman S[t]
V[c] Jeremiah F Brower deceased

[291] N[o] 6

Richard M[c]Collick Sail Maker 189 Washington S[t]
V[c] Peter Lang Resigned

N[o] 8

George Enny Gentleman 23 Elm S[t] V[c] William Clayton Deceased

N[o] 11

Frederick Hadley Resigned

N[o] 15

George Wilt—Baker 34 Pump S[t] V[c] George Hooten—Resigned
John Dally—Tobacconist 117 Division S[t]
V[c] Miles Sowerby—Time expired
David J Gomperts Accountant 110 Green S[t]
V[c] Samuel P Andrews App[d] a Warden
George Pick Jun[r] Mason 22 James S[t]
V[c] Moses L Foster—Resigned
William Valleau Do
John W Lamson Do
Robert A M[c]Kinley D[o]
Benj[n] L Guion D[o]

N[o] 16

John W Betts—Ship Carpenter 126 Leonard S[t]
V[c] William H Holton—Resigned

N° 23

Thomas Southart[d] Cabinet Maker 545 Broome S^t^
V^c^ Cha^s^ L Mickelburgh—Resigned

[292] N° 26.

David Jenkins—Brass founder 109 Henry S^t^
V^c^ Patrick Leaden—Resigned
Daniel Coger—House Carpenter 149 Madison S^t^
V^c^ Lewis Fisher—Time Expired

N° 29

Sylvester H Jones Carpenter 21 Cornelia S^t^
V^c^ Edward M^c^Kie Resigned

N° 30.

John G L Haskins—Merch^t^ Stanton near Pitt S^t^
V^c^ Samuel D Barnes—Resigned

N° 31

Robert L Patterson—Mason. Frankfort near Rose S^t^
V^c^ James Remsen Resigned
John Penton—Carpenter 146 Varick S^t^
V^c^ John Johnson Jun^r^ do
George Bigotat Upholsterer 80½ Bowery
V^c^ S O Mandeville do

N° 36

Charles L Meckelburgh Carpenter 79 Sullivan S^t^
V^c^ David Vandervoort Resigned

N° 37

Francis L D'Anterroches Grocer, Allen cor North S^t^
V^c^ David Keer—Resigned
Henry K Styles—Painter, Rivington co^r^ Orchard
V^c^ Jacob H Commerdinger Resigned

N° 40

Charles H Moffat Silver Smith 42 Hester S^t^
V^c^ John Ferguson—Resigned
[293] John Harris—Butcher 206 Mulberry S^t^
V^c^ Robert Barker—Resigned
Augustine J Battin Public Garden 198 Bowery
V^c^ Isaac Coles—Time Expired
Samuel J Price Resigned
Alexander W Stewart—
Resigned

No 42

Francis W Ross Grocer 93 Cherry St
Vc Edward Gumbs—Time Expired

No 47

Francis Sands. Rigger, Willet Street—To fill the Company
Stephen Covert. Blacksmith Eleventh Street—To fill the Company

Fire Hook & Ladder Co

No 3

Garret Winters Mason 27 Desbrosses St

Vc	George Blanchard	Resigned
	Alexander Hamilton	Resigned
	John Mc*Clean* [Lean]	Resigned
	Daniel A Brower	Expelled

No 5

Lorenzo D Brady—G[r]ocer Cor Cannon & Delancy Sts

Vc	John Hedden	—Resigned
	Abraham B Brooks	Resigned

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports [294] the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No 1	Stephen Vanrenselaer	Owner	No 199 & 201	Mulberry St	A Lot
2.	Demas Mead	Lessee	67 & 69	Essex St	Do
3.	Elijah Valentine	Owner	73	Essex St	Do
4.	John Hagerty	Do	110	Columbia St	Do
5.	George Bruce	Lessee	120	Eldridge St	Do
6.	Dd S Jones	owner		Bleecker St	Do
7.	A Labagh	Do	40	Lispenard	A privy

Geo Cuming Cy Inspector

Which were approved.

Alderman Ireland presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to cause the sunken Vessel that lies in the Slip, at the foot of Chamber street to be removed out of said Slip, with as little delay as the nature of the case will admit.

Alderman Smith presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to issue his Warrant for

$500, in favor of John M Bloodgood to be applied to cleaning the Streets.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

[295] Resolved that an application be made to the Honorable the Legislature at its present Session for an extension of Time for canvassing the Votes in this City and that a Memorial be prepared and authenticated during the recess of the Board. The time to be extended to 5 days instead of two.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that Division street from Jefferson to Suffolk street be repaved.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Watch Committee

Resolved that in consequence of the frequent and alarming Fires and Robberies committed in the City the Common Council deem it proper to employ an extra number of Watchmen for the protection of the Citizens.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee and Committee on the Fire Department

Resolved that hereafter the annual Tax Laws applied for by this Corporation shall embrace the expence of the Building of all Public Cisterns made or erected in this City since the 1st day of April last, so as to add annually the expence upon each ward [296] for the cisterns erected therein—And that no proceedings shall hereafter be had. to assess the expence upon the Neighbourhood of any public Cistern ordered since the above Period or to be hereafter ordered

Mr Seaman then gave notice that he would call for a reconsideration of the subject at the next meeting of the Board.

Alderman Smith agreeably to notice given at the last meeting, moved that the Board would reconsider the Vote on subject of opening and continuing the Street called Exchange Place—The Question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative, So the Board refused to reconsider.

The Counsel presented the following Resolutions, which were adopted.

I. Resolved that it is desirable for the public convenience to open and continue the street called Exchange Place. North Easterly to Wall street in the 1st Ward, according to the Plan, and upon the lines laid

down on a Map Marked "A" drawn April 12th 1828 by J F Bridges City Surveyor" the same being a Street not laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York" passed April 3d 1807) and that the same is hereby ordered [297] and directed to be done, and that the Counsel to the Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate & Assessment in the premises in order that the same may be carried into effect.

II. Resolved that the Petition to the Supreme Court, in the above matter, be authenticated in the usual manner, during the recess of the Board.

Mr Sibell moved that the Board now proceed to appoint the Inspectors in the several Wards for the ensuing general Election which was agreed to—He also moved that the appointment be made by Ballot.

A considerable debate arose thereon—Upon the question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative—The Board accordingly proceeded to Ballot when the following persons were appointed.

1st Ward
Richard R Ward
Abraham Quick
George Curtis

2d Ward
John Williams
Elias H Ely
Rutger Van Brunt

3d Ward
George Hodgson
Smith Cutter
Richard Hatfield

4th Ward
Joseph N Lord
Ephraim Conrad
Peter S Titus

5th Ward
Jonathan J Coddington
Arthur Smith
Benjamin Strong

6th Ward
Shivers Parker
Alexander M Muir
Henry Bunce

[298] 7th Ward
Abraham Dally
David Lyon
Samuel Lupton

8th Ward
Abm B Vanderpool
M M Myers
John Morse

9th Ward
Floyd Smith
Samuel M Thompson
Richard B Fosdick

10th Ward
Nicholas Schureman
Alexander Ming Junr
Samuel Purdy

11th Ward
William Thompson
Henry May
George Farrington

12th Ward
William A Davis
Andrew McGowan
Henry Post

13th Ward	14th Ward
Jeremiah Lounsberry	Jacob Aims
Jacob S Bogert	Adam W Turnbull
Paul A Sabbattan	William Schureman

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolutions which were adopted.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council of this City be requested to furnish to the respective Inspectors of the ensuing Election in this City the revised Statute relating to Elections passed 3d Decr 1827

Also Resolved that the said Clerk and the Counsel and Attorney to this Board be desired to cause to be published in all the Public Papers employed by this Corporation such sections of this Statute as they may deem important until the end of the coming [299] General Election—Alderman Valentine then gave notice that he would move for a re-consideration of the second Resolution at the next meeting of the Board

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 22d Septemr	156.86
Recd for Streets	1936.57
" " Rents	1247.61
" " Tax of 1828	1000.
" " Tavern Licences	663.
" " Justices Courts	506.72
" " Superior Court fees	328.50
" " Fines of Attorney	235.69
" " Police Office	169.48
" " Wells & Pumps	125.
" " Board of Health	15.
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised 25th August on Actt	16.400.
	$22.784.43

85 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch	1st Dist	1386.
Asten & Hibberd "	2d Dist	945.
Stagg & Herring "	3d "	945.
William Paulding Mayor	1 Qur Salary 2d October	750.
J. G Bogart Inspector of Hacks	1 Qr " 2d "	200.
Jacob Hays High Constable	1 Qr " 1st "	125.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall	1 Mo 1st "	75.
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield	" "	67.50
O Ayres Asst City Inspector	" "	58.50
J Coffin do	" "	58.50
[300] C Gillman Keeper of Battery	" 1 Inst	37.50
A McCready " Park	" "	37.50

J. J. Shoemaker	Street Inspector	1	Ward 1 Mo 1 Inst	....	45.
T Woolcocks	Do	2	" "	....	45.
J B Ebbets	Do	3	" "	....	45.
N B Lyon	Do	4	" "	....	45.
I A Isaacs	Do	5	" "	....	45.
S Waddell	Do	6	" "	....	45.
B Fuller	Do	7	" "	....	45.
Wm G Babb	Do	8	" "	....	45.
H Mott	Do	9	" "	....	45.
T Austin	Do	10	" "	....	45.
H Keyser	Do	11	" "	....	45.
D Hubberd	Do	13	" "	....	45.
B OConner	Do	14	" "	....	45.

John Gamble preparing Ammunition for Troops 4th July 1828 ..... 57.88

R Riker Recorder 1 Qr Salary 1s Octr..... 375.

D. T. Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo 1 Octr..... 32.50

J Fleming Treas Amt pd Witnesses ordered by Court..... 10.

J Cox Chief Engineer 1 Qr Salary 1 Octr..... 200.

J Colvill Coroner fees 1 Qr 1 Octr..... 621.62

Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 5 Octr..... 122.42

J. O Woodruff Keeper Penitentiary & 3 Assistants 1 Qr 1 Octr ..... 625.

A Burtis Super Alms House & Clerk 1 Qr 1 Octr..... 525.

J Wood Physician Bellevue Hospital 1 Qr 1 Octr..... 375.

Isaac Brown Chairn Fire Dept for Lot ground Madison Street for Engine Co No 26..... 800.

G N Bleecker Completeing Tax books of 1828 Audited by Finance Committee ..... 350.

[301] L Baum	Clerk Washgtn Market	1 Month	1 Octr	....	80.67
J Gilbert	" 3 Markets	"	"	....	64.
J Bremner	" Catharine	"	"	....	60.
P Amerman	" 3 Markets	"	"	....	53.50
G Duryea	" Fulton	"	"	....	41.67
I Astin Sweeper	do	"	"	....	46.19
R Smith	Clerk Franklin	"	"	....	37.50
J Seaman	Clerk Manhattan	"	"	....	30.

Geo: Mills Inspector of Vessels for Board of Health 72 days to 1 Octr..... 108.

J Pinckney	Asst Board of Health	1 Mo 1 Octr	.....	52.
A Parker	do	Do	.....	52.

J Coffin Asst City Inspector removing Nuisances 1 Mo 1 Octr ..... 47.

G Snethen Lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 Octr..... 1464.10

G Snethen Superd Lamps 1 Qr Salary 1 Octr..... 187.50

R Provoost repairg Lamps 1 Mo " 217.69

Samuel Judd 28 Casks Oil..... 1284.48

John W Hardenbrook Intrest on Bond 6 Mo 9 Octr..... 250.

J. P. Deitrich Auction fees on sundry lots..... 9.

J. F. Bridges Surveys &c 1 Qr 1 Octr	43.76	
Wm B Doughty do " "	105.37	
Geo: B Smith Do " "	117.19	
Thos R Ludlum Do " "	197.32	
Edward Doughty Do " "	272.11	
Isaac T Ludlum Do " "	308.89	
S Parker & Associates Comrs fees &c openg Minetto to Mc-Dougal St	187.76	
B Howe & Associates do openg 61st Street fm 3d Avenue to E River	242.43	
J Targee & Associates do openg 20th St fm Bloomingdale Road to 3d Avenue	357.48	
[302] P. Stagg & Associates Comrs fees &c openg 19 & 20th Streets fm 6th to 8th Avenue	690.25	
Heirs of J B Coles Awd openg Green St fm 4th Street to Coles Line	1000.	
Israel Dean Awd do Do Do	85.	
H Cochran Earth adjoining Greenwich Prison Wall	476.46	
P. Smith repairs Intersection Pike Slip Cherry & Water Sts 7 Ward	112.96	
H Cochran do Washington & Perry Sts 9 Ward	58.76	
P Smith do Green & Amity & 4th & Greenwich Sts	24.77	
O McCabe Do Avenue D & North St 11 Ward	12.	
S Fargay Do White Hall & Front St 1st Ward	8.46	
H Smith Do Houston & Crosby St 9 Ward	7.34	
T Cummings Do Herring & Amos St "	2.44	
J C Tucker repairs Culvert Canal Street	24.75	
Wm G Babb cleaning Culverts Canal St	6.56	
J Gallagher Junr 1st payt Well Madison bn Scammel & Walnut St	52.50	
P McGlinn bal Well Orange bn Broome & Spring St	35.	
G Lovett Corporation ⅓ filling Bulkhead Delancy Slip	2069.16	
G Lovett " ⅓ Building do Do	533.33	
Wm G Babb cleaning Rubbish Pier Charlton St	14.50	
Wm Crossen return Costs 2 Lots Willert St sold 21s Septr 1827 & redeemed	14.	
Geo Valentine do 1 Lot Willet St Do Do	7.	
Geo T Trimble Treasr Public Schools Anual payt 1500. fr Lottery Licences 31 Decr 1827 & 11 Augst 1828 625.	2125.	22.642.77

Balance $141.66

Board adjourned to Monday the 20th October at 5 O Clock P M

[303] In Common Council October 20th 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Alderman	Assistant
William W Mott	Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland	Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb	Samuel Stevens
John Lozier	Isaac Brown
William S Coe	John Shepherd Junr
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sidell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Abraham M Valentine	Henry Storms
Thomas T Woodruff	James Palmer
	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of the Butchers who stand at the corner of Bowery Road and Second street and also of a number of Inhabitants in that vicinity that they may be permitted to stand there until a Market is built in that vicinity was read and referred to the Market Commitee.

[304] A like Petition from Samuel Cowdrey and a number of others was referred to the Market Committee

A Memorial of Anthony Dey stating that he has been erroneously assessed and praying relief was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of John F Delaplaine for remission of a Penalty for not filling in Lot No 40 Pitt street owned by him, with a Certificate of the City Inspector that the same is now filled in was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons owners and occupants of property in the vicinity of Washington Market praying that the middle Pier of the Slip between Vesey and Fulton street be extended to the permanent Line was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Petition of the Members of Fire Engine Company No 47 for an Alarm Bell to be erected on their House was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department with powers.

A Petition of Abraham D Brinckerhoff & Joseph Mills Deputy Wood Inspectors praying for an [305] increase of pay was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Petition of Alexander Annin for permission to sell Coffee and Cakes in the Washington Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John C Hamilton to have the Pump in North Moore street between Hudson and Varick street filled in or that he may have permission to remove the same at his own expence was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner with powers.

A Petition of Archibald Gourlay to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Remonstrance of the Master Builders against the Law appointing Inspectors of Cask Lime was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Daniel H Barnes Superintendant of the New York High School praying that certain monies amounting in all to $166,22/100 paid by him to the Collector of Assessments as a Tax on the New York High School may be refunded &c was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[306] A Petition of Elbert Anderson and the Heirs of Theodorus Bailey for a renewal of a Lease of a Gore of ground at the corner of Chatham and Chamber streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Memorial of General Charl[e]s Lallemand praying the remission of Tax on his personal property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Francisco M Alfaye complaining of an undue Assessment was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of George M Hartell and Christian Hartell for leave to exchange Stalls No 6 & 9 with each other in Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Mark Calderwood to be appointed an Inspector of Lime was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Joseph Moreau and others for a Market in the Bowery near Bleecker street was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of George Rapelye praying to be relieved from the payment of a Tax was read and [307] referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of William Ryder and a number of others praying that the Lamp and Watch Districts may be extended to 21st Street was

read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board a Presentment of the Grand Jury of the October term in which they suggest the establishment of a Tribunal for the Trial and punishment of minor offences and misdemeanors. They also present as an evil and an obstruction to the dispatch of bussiness the present mode of returning Grand Jurors. They also present the Jail & Bridwell as unsuitable for the purpose of confinement and recommend their immediate removal. They also present the part of the City called "Five Points" as a rendezvous for theives and prostitutes

They state also the necessity of discriminating in granting Licences to retail Liquor.

They also present as a serious evil the driving at a speed contrary to Law of Hacks Carts and other Carriages.

They also present the employment at the Theatres of minors and apprentices. The same being read was referred to the Police Committee.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board a Communication he had received from Professor John Griscom relative to the pecuniary concerns of Joseph [308] Lancaster the founder and Inventor of the Lancasterian system of Instruction recommending that some pecuniary aid be extended to him and his family, was read and referred to the Committee on Charity.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board the Copy of a Law passed at the present Session of the Legislature, for extending the time for canvassing votes given at the Annual Elections in the City of New York, which he had received during the recess of the Board. The same having been read was ordered to be filed and directed to be published in the papers employed by the Board.

A Communication was received from the District Attorney Hugh Maxwell Esq^{r} respecting alterations proposed by the Revisors of the Laws in the Criminal Code, which would in his opinion be particularly injurious to the administration of the Criminal Law, was read and referred to the Law Committee and his Honor the Recorder.

The following Resignations were received and Accepted from Inspectors of Election and appointments made viz^{t}

5th Ward

Gideon Tucker in place of	Jonathan J Coddington	Resigned
James A Hamilton "	Arthur Smith	
Robert M Russell "	Benjamin Strong	

[309] 4th Ward

George Everson	in place of	Joseph N Lord	Resigned
Lewis Seymour	"	Ephraim Conrad	
George E Smith	"	Peter S Titus	

8th Ward

James Burling in place of M M Myers—Resigned

10th Ward

Ebenezer R Dupignac in place of Nicholas Schureman Resigned

13th Ward

Joshua Hatfield	in place of	Jeremiah Lounsberry	Resigned
James Riker	"	Jacob S Bogert	
Edward M Willett	"	Paul F Sabbattan	

14th Ward

Charles Dusenberry	in place of	William Schureman	Resigned
James Barclay	"	Jacob Aims	

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 6th Avenue regulated and paved from termination of present pavement to Greenwich Lane presented the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred, the annexed Petition to regulate and pave the 6th Avenue from the termination of the present pavement to Greenwich Lane.

Respectfully Report

That they have examined the situation of that part of the Avenue for the paving of which the memorialists apply and are of opinion that it is—expedient to [310] comply with the wishes of the applicants, inasmuch as there will then be a continued line of pavement to 13th Street, where the same is intersected by Greenwich Lane—They accordingly offer the subjoined resolution.

Resolved that the 6th Avenue be regulated and paved, from the end of the present pavement, to Greenwich Lane, and that the Street Commissioner prepare an Ordinance agreeably to this Resolution.

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Washington street from Jay to Harrison street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the accompanying proposition for regulating and repaving Washington street from Jay street to Harrison street Respectfully as[k] leave to

Report

That in their opinion the repaving of that part of Washington street is much called for being sunken in various places—They therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Washington street [311] from Jay street to Harrison street be regulated and repaved and that the Street Commissioner prepare an Ordinance in conformity with this Resolution

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the 8th Avenue regulated between 13th and 21st Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Eighth Avenue dug out and regulated between Thirteenth and Twenty-first street

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee the regulating of that Avenue, is much required and ought to be carried into effect and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

1st Resolved that the Eighth Avenue be dug out and regulated between Thirteenth and Twenty-first street.

2d Resolved that the Street Commissioner contract specially for carrying the preceding Resolution into effect by having the said Avenue from 16th to 21st [312] Street first dug out, and by having the said Avenue from 16th to 13th Street dug out immediately after the above is completed, and containing such other provisions as he

may deem necessary to prevent obstructions to travelling on said Avenue as the work progresses.

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Jay street from Washington street to Staple street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed proposition for repaving Jay street from Washington street to Staple street beg leave

Respectfully to Report

That the pavement of the Street above mentioned is in a broken and delapidated state and much requires repaving—They accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Jay street be repaved from Washington street to Staples street and that the Street Commissioner prepare an Ordinance agreeably to this Resolution

Gideon Ostrander
[313] William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for regulating and paving Jane street from Greenwich Lane to Assylum Street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition for regulating and paving Jane street from Greenwich Lane to Asylum Street respectfully

Report

That in order to render the access to the dwelling Houses of the residents on that Street, easy and convenient it is requisite the same should be regulated and paved, they ask leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Jane street be pitched and paved from Greenwich

Lane to Asylum street and that the Street Commissioner prepare an Ordinance for that purpose.

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[314] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of flagging the Side walks of Warren street between Washington and West street, and also of West street between Murray and Warren street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed proposition for flagging the side walks of Warren street between Washington and West streets and also of West Street between Murray and Warren streets beg leave respectfully to

Report

That they have examined the State of the side walks above referred to and are of opinion that it is necessary they should be paved for the accommodation of the numerous class of foot passengers whose daily occasions call them through that part of the City they therefore offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the side walks of Warren street from Washington street to West street, and of West street, from Murray street to Warren street, be flagged, and that the Street Commissioner prepare an Ordinance in conformity with this Resolution.

Gideon Ostrander
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[315] The Finance Committee presented the following Report on subject of Deeds to the Trustees of the Sailors Snug Harbor and to Heirs of John B Coles for land vested in the Corporation on opening 6th Street and closing Art street

The Finance Committee beg leave respectfully to Report

That on the opening of Sixth street and closing Art street from Broadway to Greenwich Lane, the said Lane was vested in the Cor-

poration; and that the parts thereof which are situated opposite to the property owned by the heirs of the late John B Coles and by the Sailors snug Harbour, have been agreed to be sold by them respectively at the following sums of money viz[t] The Snug Harbour to pay $12.382, and the heirs of Coles to pay $5,981

These amounts will indemnify the Corporation for the cost of the land to be sold to the said parties—The Street Commissioner has estimated these sums, and the said parties have agreed to pay the same, Maps of the premises to be conveyed to each of them will be prepared by the Street Commissioner—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted.

Resolved that the Counsel prepare the usual Deeds to the Trustees of the Sailors Snug Harbour, and to John B Coles, Isaac U Coles and William F Coles, for the consideration above mentioned, and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board, The said parties to pay all expences.

[316] Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
W[m] H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William M Whittaker for the purchase of a Strip of Ground at the corner of Rutgers and Madison street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully

Report

On the within Petition of William M Whittaker, for the purchase of a Strip of ground at the corner of Rutgers and Madison street; It appears that this piece of land, the remaining part of Armstrongs Lot, is valued to the Corporation at $720 dollars, The Petitioner owns the adjoining Lot, and it is usual to sell such gores to the adjoining owner, he paying the same at which it was valued to the Corporation

This the petitioner wishes, and is ready to do—Your Committee, therefore, think that the petitioners prayer ought to be granted, and they accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved, that the Counsel prepare the usual Deed to William M Whittaker, for the above gore [317] for the consideration of 720

Dollars, and expences, and that the same be authenticated, in the usual manner, during the recess of the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
Stuart F Randolph
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Gritman, Samuel White, Asa W *Wasson* [Wesson] and John W Palmer for Butchers Licenses presented the following Report in favor *or* [of] the same.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions of John Gritman for a Butchers Licence for a Stand in Duane Market of Samuel White and Asa W Wasson for Butchers Licences and for stands in Essex Market and of John W Palmer for a Butchers License for Stall N° 54 Fulton Market

Respectfully Report

That the said Petitioners are recommended as men of Industrious and Steady habits and regular Bred Butchers the Committee therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Prayer of the Petitioners be granted

Anthony Lamb
[318] Samuel Stevens
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman
Abm M Valentine

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Richard Merritt a Cartman who states that in consequence of the Dock at the foot of Broad street being out of repair he lost his horse and Cart presented the following Report

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips beg leave respectfully to Report on the within Petition of Richard Merritt for relief—It appears that the Petitioner is a Licensed Cartman, and that whilst backing his Cart, at the Dock, at the foot of Broad street, the same, together with his horse, and Load, were all percipitated into the River, whereby the Harness was injured, the goods damaged, and the Horse Killed—The Horse is valued at what it cost viz $130, the injury to the Harness $7.$^{25}/_{100}$ and the damage to the goods $60, This accident it satisfac-

torily appears was owing to the dirt on the Dock being so high, as to render the String piece of no use in preventing this accident, or, at all events, such is the situation of the Petitioner, and such the peculiar circumstances of his case, that your Committee are induced to accede to his proposition, and to [319] recommend the payment to him of the value of the Horse in full of his claim; This he is willing to accept and your Committee after duly considering this matter think that under all the circumstances it is expedient and just to pay the amount that the horse Cost the Petitioner

Your Committee therefore respectfully offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favour of Richard Merritt for $130, in full of his above stated Claims.

Respectfully submitted

John R Peters
Wm H Ireland
John Shepherd Junr
Isaac Brown
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Road Committee to whom was referred the subject of the state of the 3d Avenue presented the following Report

The Road Committee to whom the various Communications relating to the State of the Third Avenue were referred Report

That they have examined particularly the two Hills lying between York Ville and Harlaem and are of opinion that there would [be] economy in reducing these two Hills, to a gradual descent, [320] that in their present situation all the gravel which is put on them, is immediately washed off.

The Committee recommend that both the said Hills be cut down to such regulation as the Street Commissioner may think proper.

The Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner cause the two Hills previously mentioned to be cut down to such descent, as he may judge proper and at such times and in such manner as the same can be done with most economy to the Corporation.

Samuel Stevens
J F Sibell
Thomas T Woodruff
Gideon Ostrander

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen whereupon the resignations were accepted and appointments made viz[t]

Fire Engine Company

N° 2

Richard Platt—Gilder 107 Division S[t] V[c] John Weeden—Resigned
John Butt—Basket maker C[or] Chrystie & Bayard S[t]
V[c] Hiram Perry—Resigned
[321] William Brooks—Shoe Maker 31 Catharine S[t]
V[c] William Pessenger—Resigned

N° 5

Robert Sinclair Counsellor 124 Nassau S[t]
V[c] Benjamin H Chapman—Resigned

N° 12

Edward Blanchard Hatter 82 Chatham S[t]
V[c] John S Noble—Resigned
Patrick Mackin—Grocer 20 Rose Street
V[c] Harvey Buchanan—Resigned

N° 17

William B Calder Carpenter 134 Church S[t]
V[c] John Johnson—Resigned
James B Chase—Boat Building 57 Cherry S[t]
V[c] William A Cox—Resigned
John B H Ward Cabinet Maker 34 Madison S[t]
V[c] Tobias Dykes—Resigned
Benjamin F Bunker Painter 66 Chrystie Street
V[c] John P Boule—Resigned
Cyrus E Bunker Painter 143 Broome S[t]
V[c] Philip Loughlin Resigned

N° 27

Matthew Bowden Stone Cutter 42 Watts S[t]
V[c] Walter M[c]Bride Resigned
Irvin M[c]Bride—Stone Cutter, Greenwich near Canal S[t]
V[c] George W Van Beuren Resigned
William Parmly Resigned

[322] N° 37

Thomas H Hawks Mason 123 Bowery
V[c] Wilder W Peirce—Resigned

N° 38

Jonathan H Ransom Shoe dealer—Washington Square
V^c John Rothgangle—Time Expired
Warren Curtis—Shoe dealer Washington Square
V^c James *Snydaker* [Snedecker] Time Expired

N° 41.

George B Mabie Sash Maker 61 Orchard S^t
V^c John Thomas—Left the City

N° 44

William Mackey Ship Carpenter 400 Cher[r]y S^t
V^c Luff S Rhodes—Resigned
Clark J Tibbits—House Carpenter 5^th S^t near Avenue
V^c Samuel Andreas Exempt in consequence of injury receiv^d at fire

Fire Hook & Ladder C^o

N° 3

Jacob L C. Roome—Painter Barrow near Hudson S^t
V^c Henry Degraw Resigned

N° 4

William Anderson Resigned

Fire Wardens C^o

8^th Ward

William Wallace—Cabinet Maker 209 William S^t
V^c Moses *M*[B]eadel Time expired

[323] The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz^t

For regulating 8^th Avenue from 13^th to 21^st Street and Abraham Dally David Lyon and Samuel Purdy were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Washington street from Jay to Harrison street and Abraham Lefoy John B Thorp and John Leonard were appointed Assessors

For regulating and paving Jane street from Greenwich Lane to Asylum Street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine and Shivers Parker were appointed Assessors.

For regulating and paving the 6^th Avenue from the present pavement to Greenwich Lane and Peter Stagg James Fairlie & Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Jay street from Washington to Staples street and

Thomas R Smith John Slidell and Cornelius Harsen were appointed Inspectors.

For flagging the side walks of Warren street from Washington to West street, And also of West street from Murray to Warren street and Abraham Bloodgood [324] Peter Pinckney and Thomas Herring appointed Assessors.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto.

For repaving Water street from Wall street to Old Slip and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For regulating and paving Avenue D from North street to 100 feet North of Eighth street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector

For regulating and paving Water street from Market to Rutgers Slip and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

The City Inspector presented the following Report on filling in sunken Lots on 5th Avenue & 13th Street

The City Inspector respectfully Reports that certain sunken Lots on the Fifth Avenue, also on the South side of Thirteenth street, have been ordinanced; The Revd Samuel Haskill's wife of Westchester Co is the owner, and received the Ordinance, the gentleman called at the Office, and stated his inability to fill in the Lots with Earth, further that his wife having only a life interest in the premises, she declined doing any thing in the bussiness—Lastly they were willing that the [325] Board should do it, and sell the ground in the usual way, when he would endeavour to redeem the Lots by purchase.

Under these circumstances, and as the parties live out of the County, and cannot be sued, and Ordinance is offered to fill them in, in the accustomed manner

Respectfully submitted

George Cuming City Inspector

Which was approved and the Ordinance passed.

The City Inspector presented the following for appointment of Collector for expences in filling in certain Lots

The City Inspector respectfully Reports that pursuant to an Ordinance of the Corporation passed the 8th day of July last, Three lots on the East side of Mulberry street South of Houston street, have been filled in with Earth, in order that a collector may be appointed thereto. Vizt

Lot A	116 feet 6 Inches from Houston street Hy Walton owner—20 feet in front	$37.83
Lot B	next adjoining A Jno R Livingston owner—20 feet in front	27.66½
Lot C	next adjoining B Hy Walton owner 20 feet in front	24.33
	Total	$89.82½

George Cuming
City Inspector

Whereupon George Cuming was appointed Collector to collect the same.

[326] The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No				
1.	N W Stuyvesant	Owner	Stuyvesant St	A Lot
2.	Pr Stuyvesant	do	Do	Do
3.	Js L Ogden	Do	Wooster St	Do
4.	John Graff	Do	Twelfth St	Do
5.	Gd Beekman	Do	Greene St	Do
6.	Abm R Luyster	Do	Do	Do
7.	Do	Do	Do	Do
8.	G W Livingston	Do	Do	Do

Geo: Cuming
Cy Inspr

Which were passed

Mr Seaman presented the following which was referred to the Finance Committee

Whereas a new Regiment of Artillery has been formed under the command of Col Constantine called the 31st Regiment in the Ninth Brigade Commanded by General Gilbert Hopkins—Therefore

Resolved that the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars be appropriated for the purchase of a Standard or Color to be presented by the Common Council.

Alderman Pittman presented the [327] *the* following Resolution which was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward

Resolved that the Well & Pump at the corner of 11th Street and 3d Avenue be accepted and kept in repair by the Corporation of this City.

Alderman Pittman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that Avenue B be filled in and regulated from 2d to 5th Street.

Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Lands & Places.

Resolved that the Committee on Lands & Places be instructed to place Trees on the Washington Parade ground

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Watch Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Watch Committee to enquire into the propriety of making the pay of the City Watch One dollar per night for each man.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Special Committee [328] on the Alms House of which Alderman Mott is Chairman

Resolved that it be referred to the—Committee to enquire whether some mode cannot be adopted to employ a proportion of the Paupers and Children in the Alms House in some useful Mechanical branch whereby a proper degree of industry may be introduced which will be both useful and advantageous.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire and recomme[n]d such arrangements in the Street Commissioners Office as will authorise an allowance of Salary to the Deputy Street Commissioner as his important and arduous duties entitle him to.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Acct 6th Inst	141.66
Recd for Tax of 1828	18.300.
" " Streets	17.846.69
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	4.252.50
" " Rents	934.89
" " Justices Courts	538.50
" " Fines of Sherriff	226.
" " [329] Wells & Pumps	175.89
" Mayoralty fees	136.
	$42.552.13

72 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Asten & Hibberd do 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring do 3d "	945.
R Graves Str Comr 1 Qurtr Salary 1 Octr	500.
Geo: B Smith Asst Street Comr 1 Qr do 15 Octr	375.
J Sidell First Marshall 1 Qr 1 Octr	225.
T Longworth 13 Copies Directory	29.

J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Acts					23.
J Johnson & P J Nevius Assessors of Tax 1 Ward & Jury list					350.
J Leonard & J Sutphen	do	2	"	"	350.
N C Griffiths & J Graham	do	3	"	"	350.
P McCartee & L Seymour	do	4	"	"	350.
L Warner & A Journey	do	5	"	"	350.
S Parker & W Alburtis	do	6	"	"	350.
D Dusenbury & C Fordham	Do	7	"	"	350.
J T Banta & A Ross	Do	8	"	"	350.
D Aim & J Pangburn	do	9	"	"	350.
J G Reynolds & C B Tappan	do	10	"	"	350.
W Lee & S Webster	do	11	"	"	350.
O Hibberd & S A Savage	do	12	"	"	350.
I Halsey & O Newcomb Junr	Do	13	"	"	350.
S Kingsland & A W Turnbull	do	14	"	"	350.
J Fleming Treasr Amt pd Witnesses ordered by Court					25.
[330] J Macy & Sons 10 Casks Oil					672.46
J Dunn & Sons making & repairing Lamps 1 Qur 1 Octr					597.
Collin Young 90 Tin frames for Street Lamps					247.50
Wm S Smith Collector City Revenue to repay Jas Renwick for Wharfage pd into Treasury by Mistake					246.72
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 19th Octr					147.04
Chas Mapes Treasr Deaf & Dumb 6 Mo 13th Octr					200.
John M Bloodgood Superdt on Actt cleaning Streets Ordered 6 Ocr					500.
Owmen Smith filling 2 Lots Mulberry St Walton & Livingston Lien					89.82
M Ulshoeffer Attys Costs &c Openg 19th & 20th Streets fm 6 to 8 Avenue					537.93
M Ulshoeffer	do	Openg Minetto to McDougal St			119.57
M Ulshoeffer	Do	Openg 61st Street fm 3d Avenue to E River			113.02
M Ulshoeffer	Do	openg 20th St fm B[looming] D[ale] Road to 3d Avenue			105.47
J Targee & Associates Comrs fees &c widng Madison fm Pike to Clinton St					1109.
D Lyon & Assocts	do	openg 5th Avenue fm 90th to 106th St			828.
A Baudoine & Assocts	do	openg Jane St fm Greenwich Lane to Hudson River			384.53
D Ewen Surveys &c 1 Qr 1 Octr					419.87
E W Bridges "	Do	"			244.09
F. P. Vidall do	9 Mo	"			158.55
Eliza S Champlin Awd openg Greene St fm 4th St to Coles line					4443.
S Fargay Actt reg & pav 2d Avenue fm 1st St to 5th St					1500.
O Smith Corporation part reg & pav West St fm Duane to Harrison St					939.85

S Fargay Corpt[n] part reg & pav West S[t] fm Chamber to Duane S[t]		621.02	
J Mehan bal reg & pav M[c]Dougall fm Bleecker to 4[th] Street		378.93	
P. Smith Act[t] reg & pav Scammel fm Grand to Lombardy S[t]		350.	
Estate of J Sloan Act[t] reg Greenwich Lane fm 6 Avenue to 13[th] S[t]		200.	
T Cummings bal reg & pav Amos S[t] fm Washington S[t] to Greenwich Lane		192.84	
[331] H Smith Act[t] repav James fm Madison to Cherry S[t]		980.	
T Cummings Act[t] reg & pav Burrows fm Herring to Christopher S[t]		150.	
D Mehan Act[t] repav Chrystie fm Grand to Bayard S[t]		150.	
H Smith bal repav South S[t] fm Old Slip to Coffe house Slip		131.54	
S Fargay bal laying Cross walks 10[th] Ward		96.85	
S Fargay bal repav Catharine fm Cherry to South S[t]		80.63	
G. Lovett 3[d] pay[t] buildig Pier foot Warren Street		3350.	
Woodruff & Barnes 1[st] pay[t] Carpenter Work Canal S[t] Market		2475.	
W[m] M[c]Kean bal buildg Fence Washington Square		776.28	
P. P Dietrich Auction fees 42 Lots Sold for Assessments 13 Oct[r]		84.	
P M[c]Barren	for Well Cedar near Nassau S[t]	81.50	
P M[c]Glinn	do Wooster n Prince S[t]	69.	
D. Harron 1[st] pay[t]	Do Gouverneur n Harman	63.37	
J Gallagher Jun[r]	do Sullivan near Spring S[t] removed	56.50	
F Gillen 1[st] pay[t]	Do Henry bn Cathn & Market S[t]	36.12	
P M[c]Glinn 1 pay[t]	Do 21[st] S[t] n 8 Avenue	23.75	
W[m] Badeau 1 pay[t]	Do Columbia near Stanton S[t]	13.75	
J M[c]Barren bal	do Perry btn Washington & West S[t]	12.88	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Fire Dep[t]		1488.	
J. P Roome	" " Markets	1000.	
J. P. Roome	" " Pumps	344.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for working Convicts		2000.	
A Burtis do	" for Alms House	5000.	42.362.88
		Balance	$189.25

Board adjourned to Monday the 3[d] of November at 5 O Clock P M

[332] In Common Council November 3d 1828

Present The Honble William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	John F Sibell
Stuart F Randolph	Bernard J Meserole
John R Peters	Henry B Bolster
Gideon Ostrander	James Palmer
Lemuel Pittman	William James Macneven
Abraham M Valentine	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Major Stanton Quarter Master United States service praying for the accommodation of Stairs &c for landing of Soldiers &c from the Forts in the Harbor was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[333] A Remonstrance of the Minister Elders & Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of New York against the widening of Ann street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Pope for permission to make a Cut in the Bulkhead at Stanton Slip to allow the water in the Basin to escape with the ebb of the tide, and to facilitate the introduction of Scows with earth from Long Island to fill up the Basin, was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of George Shafer for Stall in Essex Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Horatio Tucker praying to have a sum of money refunded, paid by him for Lots sold for Taxes in the Ninth Ward was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Miller and others for a Well & Pump in Wooster street between Spring and Prince streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 8th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of William Rockwell praying [334] to be relieved from the payment of Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of John D Piercy for a Stall in Essex Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Obadiah Newcomb Jun^{r} and a number of others to have Mangin street regulated and paved from Rivington to Delancy street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons against extending Canal street to Pump street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of George W Bleecker to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Richard E Mount and others praying to have the npper part of Pearl street lighted with Gas was read and referred to the Special Committee on Gas.

A Petition of James W Otis for a reduction of Tax on his personal Estate was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

[335] A Petition of a number of persons for a repeal of the Law relative to the Inspection of Lime was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Thomas W. Steele to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of David P Hall for the subdivision of an Assessment presented the following Report in favor.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed memorial of David P Hall praying for the subdivision of an Assessment made upon Six lots of ground in the opening of Fourth street respectfully Report—That having examined the matter referred to them in the said memorial they find, that, six Lots of ground are assessed in the name of Alfred S Pell in the sum of $642 $^{55}/_{100}$ four of which are the property of David P Hall the memorialist, and the remaining two only are the property of Alfred S Pell. By a reference to the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed March 23^{d} 1821 see 5th Vol Revised Laws Letter C page 143 it will be seen that the Common Council are invested with the power to make such subdivisions of Assessments as to them shall appear just [336] and equitable—Your Committee are of opinion that the case before them is one which will justify the interposition of this Board, and that the prayer of the memorialist is proper and reasonable and ought to be granted. They beg leave to offer the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Assessment of $642,$^{55}/_{100}$ made by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the opening of 4th Street from

the Bowery to the East River upon six Lots of ground situated at the corner of Avenue C and 4th Street and distinguished on the Map of the said Commissioners as N° 42. be so apportioned as that the sum of $536 1⁄100 together with the interest and charges thereon shall continue to be assessed and remain as a lien upon the four out of the six of the before mentioned Lots which belong to David P Hall and are comprised within the following description vizt—Beginning on the Northerly side of 4th Street 168 feet Easterly of Avenue C and running thence Northeasterly and parallel with Avenue C 96 feet to the Centre of the block between 4th & 5th Streets thence Northwestwardly along the aforesaid centre line 75 feet, thence Southwesterly and parallel to Avenue C 48 feet thence Northwestwardly and parallel to 4th Street 93 feet to Avenue C thence Southwestwardly along the Easterly side of Avenue C 48 feet to 4th Street and thence Southeastwardly along the Northerly side of 4th Street 168 feet to the place of beginning.

[337] Resolved that the residue of the aforesaid assessment being the sum of $106,41⁄100 together with the interest and charges thereon, shall continued to be assessed, and remain a lien, on the remaining two Lots of the beforementioned six Lots which two Lots belong or are supposed to belong to Alfred S Pell and which are comprised in the following description vizt

Beginning on the Easterly side of Avenue C 24 feet Northerly from the corner of 4th Street and Avenue C and running thence Northeastwarly along Avenue C 48 feet thence Southeastwardly and parallel to 4th Street 93 feet thence Southwestwardly and parallel with Avenue C 48 feet thence Northwestwardly and parallel to 4th Street 93 feet to Avenue C at the place of beginning.

Resolved that Morris D Camp the Collector of the foregoing assessments be instructed to receive the amount assessed upon the above six Lots of ground in the proportions which are described and set forth in the preceding Resolutions

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department [338] to whom was referred the Petition of Richard Hoppock to be relieved from the payment of a fine for the violation of the Laws of the Fire Department presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully Report

On the within Petition of Richard Hoppock who prays for the remission of a fine incurred for a violation of the Laws for the prevention of Fires in the City of New York

It appears that the petitioner is the owner of a stable built of wooden materials in Forsyth street which is adjoining a dwelling House and that it has been used in the usual way by Keeping Hay &c contrary to the Ordinance of the Common Council, which imposes a fine of Twenty five dollars and a further penalty of Ten dollars for every Twenty four hours the same shall remain after due notice has been given by the Wardens whose duty it may be to do so

It is provided also by the same Law that the Trustees of the Fire Department may receive, sue for, and recover, in the name of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of this City, all the fines penalties and forfeitures imposed thereby, and appropriate the same for the use of that department.

[339] Your Committee are therefore of the opinion that the Petitioner should have made his application for relief to the Board of Trustees of the Fire Department who no doubt would do him ample Justice.

Accordingly submit for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Common Council ought not to interfere in the case.

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Palmer
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George M Hartell & Christian Hartell for permission to exchange Stalls in Catharine Market presented the following Report in favor

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of George M Hartell occupying Stall N° 6 and Christian Hartell occupying Stall N° 9 Catharine Market for permission to exchange Stalls

Respectfully Report that the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted.

Anthony Lamb
W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
[340] Ab^{m} M Valentine
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of John Boyce & others for the Common Council to accept a Well & Pump in 11th Street near 3^{d} Avenue presented the following Report in favor.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and the Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of John Boyce & others praying the Common Council to accept a Well & Pump in 11th Street near the 3^{d} Avenue which was sunk at the individual expense of the owners of property in the neighbourhood beg leave to Report.

That having examined the well above mentioned they are of opinion it would be proper for the Common Council to receive and accept the same, and accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Common Council accept as a public Well the one now sunk in 11th Street opposite the property of John Boyce near the 3^{d} Avenue.

Lemuel Pittman
H. B. Bolster
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[341] The Comptroller presented the following Report relative to certain Lots opposite to Hamilton Square which are now fencing in by Nathaniel Prime and are considered as belonging to the Corporation recommending the subject to be referred to the Counsel

The Comptroller respectfully Reports to the Board, that there is a piece of land containing three fourths of an Acre, adjoining the property of the late Peter P Van Zandt opposite to the Hamilton Square Lots which he has been informed M^{r} Nathaniel Prime is now fencing in—This land has been claimed by the Corporation as belonging to them, and as legal measures should be taken to preserve their right, it is respectfully recommended that the Counsel of the Board may be instructed to take the necessary measures relative to this bussiness.

Respectfully submitted
G N Bleecker Compt^{r}

Which having been read was referred to the Counsel of the Board to take the necessary measures relative to the same.

The Comptroller presented a Report stating that he had examined the accounts of the City Treasurer for the last Six months, also his Account with the Commissioners of the Sinking fund for the same period and found them correct [which] was read & directed to be filed.

[342] The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for repaving Chrystie street from Grand to Bayard Street whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell to collect the same.

The Street Commissioner presented a Deed of Cession from George Rapelye & wife of 36th Street from Fitz Roy Road to the 10th Avenue and also of the 9th Avenue from the land of ——— Moses to the land of John L Norton, which was accepted and directed to be recorded in the Registers Office.

The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for a Well & Pump in Hudson near Perry street, which was passed and Pine Hopkins George C Hawthorn & Joseph D Palmer were appointed Assessors.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well and Pump in Madison street between Scammel & Walnut street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For repaving Bridge street from [343] Broad street to White Hall street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For repaving Pump street from the Bowery to Ludlow street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen— Whereupon the resignations were accepted and appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 29

Peter Hoffmire—Carpenter 223 Sullivan St

Vc Hiram Worden—Resigned

Peter Westervelt—Carpenter 24 Jones St Vc Henry Cox—Resigned

Albert De Groot—Mason 24 Vandam St Vc Thomas Cox—Resigned

No 37

John P Butler—Coach Maker 125 Orchard St

Vc Lewis Parketton Resigned

Furman Sweed—Butcher 81 Rivington St Vc John Odell—Resigned

Nº 39

George Hill—Merchant 109 Mott Sᵗ
Vᶜ George Thompson Left the City

[344] Fire Hook & Ladder Cº

Nº 1

Henry B Walker Tinman Water Street
Vᶜ Francis L D'Anteroches Resigned
John N Robins—Merchant Roosevelt Sᵗ
Vᶜ John E Clarkson Resigned

Nº 3

Samuel C Helms—Carpenter Coʳ Chatham & Washington Sᵗˢ
Vᶜ Daniel G Van Winkle Resigned

Fire Wardens 13th Ward

Peter McNamara Resigned

The City Inspector presented the following Ordinances for correction of Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Vizᵗ

Nº 1.	Jnº Rathbone Jʳ	owner	Bleecker Sᵗ		A Lot
2.	Jnº Hanmer	Dº	Dº		Dº
3.	Cˢ Heyer	Dº	Mulberry Sᵗ		Dº
4.	H Reilly	Dº	Twelfth Sᵗ		Dº
5.	H Le Roy	Dº	69 Chambers Sᵗ		A privy
6.	Dº	Dº	67	Dº	Dº

George Cuming City Inspʳ

Which were passed.

Alderman Pittman presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the [345] Street Committee to examine and Report upon the expediency of filling up and regulating Avenue C from Second street to Fifth street.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actᵗ 20 Octʳ	189.25
Recᵈ for Tax of 1828	17.500.
" " Tax from the State	361.55
" " Streets	7460.41
" " Rents	1167.17
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	1087.50
" " Tavren Licences	550.

Recd for Lien on Lots	543.72
" " Justices Courts	184.62
" " Fines of Sheriff	155.63
" " Mayoralty fees	87.
" " Wells & Pumps	67.96
	$29.354.81

92 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Asten & Hibberd do 2 "	945.
Stagg & Herring do 3 "	945.
J Morton Clerk C C 1 Qr Salary 1 Novr	500.
A B Martling Keeper City Hall " "	250.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keeper City Hall 1 Mo "	77.50
D D Williamson Messenger 1 Qr 26 Octr	125.
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield 1 Mo 1 Novr	69.75
[346] O Ayres Asst City Inspector " "	69.75
J Coffin do Do " "	69.75
J Burger regulating 4 Public Clocks 1 Qur 1 Novr	50.
C Gillman Keeper of Battery 1 Mo—1 Novr	38.75
A McCready Keeper of Park " "	38.75
J. J. Shoemaker St Inspector 1 Ward " "	46.50
T Woolcocks " 2 " "	46.50
J. B Ebbetts " 3 " "	46.50
N B Lyon " 4 " "	46.50
I. A Isaacs " 5 " "	46.50
S Waddell " 6 " "	46.50
B Fuller " 7 " "	46.50
Wm G Babb " 8 " "	46.50
H Mott " 9 " "	46.50
T Austin " 10 " "	46.50
H Keyser " 11 " "	46.50
D Hubberd " 13 " "	46.50
B OConner " 14 " "	46.50
A B Martling Keeper City Hall Expences Corporation 1 Qr 1 Novr	267.70
F Seely & J G Finn Sunday Service 4 Ward 26 days each to 1 Novr	78.
H T Jollie do 9 " 33 days "	49.50
J Thomas & B Robinson do 11 " 16 days each "	48.
J Nixon do 10 " 31 days "	46.50
C Huntington do 1 " 21 days "	33.
J M Thomas do 6 " 13 days "	19.50
S W Dusenberry Do 8 " 13 days "	19.50
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health 1 Mo 1 Novr	54.
[347] A Parker Asst Board of Health 1 Mo 1 Novr	54.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removg Nuisances 1 Mo 1 Novr	32.48

J Gilbert Clerk 3 Markets 1 Month 1 Novr.... 65.
J Bremner Clerk Catharine " " " .... 62.
G Duryea do Fulton " " " 41.67
I Asten sweeper do " " " 46.19
R Smith Clerk Franklin " " " 42.63
J Seaman " Manhattan " " " .... 31.
J. M Bloodgood Super Streets 1 Qr " .... 375.
J Rapelyea Asst do " .... 250.
Geo B Thorp Keeper City Prison & 2 Depts " " .... 500.
John J Howe Physician do " " .... 75.
O M Lownds Sheriff for Officers Attends Courts 1 Qr 1 Novr 1430.
Geo B Raymond for Officers servg Subpeonas " " 184.87
D. T. Valentine Marshall Marine Court 1 Mo " 33.75
J Hays for Officers Attends City Hall, visit of Indians &c. 30.
A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 2d Novr..... 143.67
Mercantile Advertiser Subscriptn 6 Mo 1 Novr..... 50.
G Snethen lightg Lamps 1 Mo 1 Novr..... 1394.25
J Macy & Son 16 Casks Oil..... 664.21
R Provoost making & repairing Lamps 1 Mo 1 Novr..... 354.97
Layman & Chandler setting Lamp Posts &c 1 Qr 1 Novr... 144.25
Jas Blackwell Interest on Bond 1 Qr 15 Octr..... 277.50
Richd Merritt in full of Claim for a Horse falling of the Wharf Ordered 20 Inst..... 130.
John Pollock filling Lot on 12th Street b 5 & 6 Avenues—Lien 743.40
S Fargay bal reg & pav West fm Cedar to Courtlandt St... 523.84
D Mehan Actt repav Chrystie fm Grand to Bayard St..... 500.
[348] S Fargay Actt repav Pearl fm Chatham to Cross St. 400.
J Culbert Actt reg & pav Sullivan fm Bleecker to Amity St 300.
P. Smith Actt reg & pav Greene fm Bleecker to 4th Street. 250.
S Fargay bal lay Cross walks 2d Ward..... 29.42
John Harris Inspecting paving 1 March to 1 Novr..... 392.11
S Fargay repairs Intersects Accepted Streets & at Market place 3d Ward..... 606.31
T Cummings Repairs Intersections 9 Ward..... 332.18
T Cummings do 8 ward 274.50
G Lovett Atty for Wm Hockman 3d payt Pier at Greenwich Prison ..... 3000.
A L Stewart Atty for E Youmans Corporation part filling Bulkhead Spring St Basin..... 338.04
J Huntoon raising a Vessel at Chamber Street..... 200.
R Graves St Comr Actt expenditures on Lands & Places.. 500.
R Graves Do Actt repairs Roads..... 1000.
H Cochran Actt reg & pav Corptn part Christr & West St at Greenwich Prison..... 1000.
Wm W Chardavoyne Superg building Canal Market 3 Mo to 1 Octr..... 197.50
Mercantile Advertiser Adverts Arrears of Assessments.... 350.75
Dailey Advertiser Do Do " 350.75

E Morrill Justice	4. 6 Wards 1 Qr 1 Novr...	400.	
H Scovell do	7. 10. 13 " " ...	400.	
G Betts Clerk	4. 6 " " " ...	187.50	
Jas Lozier do	7. 10. 13 " " ...	187.50	
Richd Varick Rent for Court	1. 2. 3 Wards 1 Qr " ...	60.	
Wm Young Rent for Court	4. 6 Wards 1 Qr 1 Novr...	32.50	
Wm M Whitaker Do	7. 10. 13 do " " ...	25.	
Daniel Aim Do	9. 11 Do " " ...	25.	
Saml Jones Chief Justice Superior Court	1 Qr Salary 1 Novr	625.	
J O Hoffman Justice	do " "	625.	
[349] T J Oakly Justice Superior Court	1 Qr 1 Novr.....	625.	
H Meigs Justice	5. 8. 14 Wards " "	400.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House	.....	2290.	29.351.19
		Balance	$3.62

Board adjourned to Monday 17th November at 5 OClock P. M.

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OF

MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

November 17, 1828 to January 26, 1829

[1] In Common Council Novem^{r} 17. 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Jun^{r}
William S Coe	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Abraham M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	Henry Storms
Stuart F Randolph	James Palmer
	William James Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Charles B Shaw one of the City Surveyors praying for the Loan of the Drawing of the City Hall for the purpose of having an [2] Engraving made of the same was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences.

A Petition of Enoch Lawrence for a Stall in Essex Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons respecting the Williamsburgh Ferry, praying that the proprietors of said Ferry may be compelled to run Three Boats on said Ferry insted of Two was read and referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons to have 17th Street regulated from 6th Avenue to the Hudson River was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Communication from the Wallabocht Canal Company to purchase a Water Grant was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition from Merrit H Smith for relief from an error of Assessment was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of John C Totten to be appointed Corporation Stationer was read and [3] referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of William D Disbrow & others to have the Side walks flagged in the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Thomas Cummings praying that certain monies due

him for regulating Hubert street and the 5th Avenue may be paid to him was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Seaman to be appointed Keeper of the Washington Square was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of sundry Persons to have some regulations in landing building Stone and also for the appointment of an Inspector of the same was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Joseph Lancaster the founder of the Lancastrian system of Teaching for some temporary aid for himself & family—A motion was made to refer the same to the Committee on Charity which was Negatived.

[4] Whereupon it was Resolved that the sum of $500, be granted to Joseph Lancaster—The Question was then taken on the Resolution and a Division having been called by Alderman Peters the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Mott Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Ostrander Pittman Valentine Woodruff Mr Bolton Wyckoff Brown Shepherd Seaman Sibell Storms Palmer Macneven 20

In the Negative Ald Smith Ireland Mr Stevens Amerman Meserole Bolster 6

So it was carried in the Affirmative.

[5] A Petition of Richard Conway for Stall No 22 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Francis Thompson praying to be relieved from the payment of an Assessment on his personal property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of the Inhabitants & owners of the property in the vicinity of Market Slip praying to have the West side of the Street paved between Front and Water street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Gallagher for some compensation for finishing a Well in the Bowery near Hester street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of N D Chamberlin to be appointed a Measurer of Coal was read & referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition C. G. Smedburgh for permission to erect an Iron Railing in front of his Building at the corner of Staple & Duane streets was [6] read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 5th Ward.

A Petition of John J Palmer for the remission of a penalty incurred for allowing a Stairs to be erected contrary to Law was read and referred to the Police Committee

The following Return was received from Nicholas Dean Clerk of the City and County of New York of Charter Officers elected on the 3d 4th & 5th days of November 1828. The same having been read the Clerk of the Board was directed to notify the persons elected to appear on the last Monday of December next at 12 O Clock in the Common Council Chamber to take and subscribe the Oaths prescribed by Law

City & County } ss
of New York }

I Nicholas Dean Clerk of the City and County of New York Do Certify that by the returns filed in my Office it appears that at an Election held in the said City and County on the third fourth and fifth days of November in the year One thousand eight hundred and twenty eight.

The following persons were Elected Charter Officers in the several Wards in the said City.

[7] First Ward

John Y Cebra	Alderman
James I Roosevelt	Assistant
Jeromus Johnson, Peter J Nevius	Assessors
Daniel J Ebbets	Collector
Richard S Clark, Robert Graham	Constables

Second Ward

William W Mott	Alderman
Jonathan Seymour	Assistant
John Leonard, John Sutphin	Assessors
Brigham Howe	Collector
Richard Ellis, John Wintringham	Constables

Third Ward

Samuel Stevens	Alderman
William Mandeville	Assistant
Nathaniel C Griffiths, Isaac Graham	Assessors
Abraham King	Collector
Andrew Van Orden Jr, Robert Mattocks	Constables

Fourth Ward

Isaac Brown	Alderman
David Bryson	Assistant
Peter McCartee, John Hanmer	Assessors
William Benjamin	Collector
Frederick Seely, James G Finn	Constables

Fifth Ward

David Rogers	Alderman
Henry Arcularius	Assistant
Leonard Warner, Albert Journeay	Assessors
William Berrian	Collector
William C Scott, Cyrus Bedell	Constables

Sixth Ward

John Lozier	Alderman
George D Strong	Assistant
Ebenezer Burrell, John Heath	Assessors
Thomas Mooney	Collector
Thomas Farrington, John W Somerindyke	Constables

[8] Seventh Ward		Eighth Ward	
William S Coe	Alderman	Benjamin M Brown	Alderman
William Seaman	Assistant	William W Cowan	Assistant
Caleb Fordham Daniel Dusenberry	Assessors	Azariah Ross John T Banta	Assessors
Morris Oakley	Collector	Samuel Y Clark	Collector
Robert Phillips William Rhoads	Constables	John Hudnut Benjamin Q Force	Constables

Tenth Ward		Ninth Ward	
Bernard J Meserole	Alderman	John R Peters	Alderman
Thomas Jeremiah	Assistant	James N Wells	Assistant
Samuel Purdy Edward Riker	Assessors	Garrit Gilbert Daniel H Weed	Assessors
John Palmer	Collector	Calvin Griswold	Collector
William F Stevenson James H Rowland	Constables	Ephraim Beeman Henry T Jollie	Constables

Eleventh Ward		Twelfth Ward	
Jeremiah Dodge	Alderman	Gideon Lee	Alderman
Peter Pinckney	Assistant	Peter Cooper	Assistant
William Lee Charles Mills	Assessors	Oliver Hibberd Isaac L Varian	Assessors
Abraham Van Nostrand	Collector	Abel Wheaton	Collector
Jedediah Thomas Benjamin Robinson	Constables	Uriah Ryder William B Mott	Constables

[9] Thirteenth Ward		Fourteenth Ward	
James Palmer	Alderman	Thomas T Woodruff	Alderman
John Lovett	Assistant	Philip W Engs	Assistant
Obadiah Newcomb Jur Walter Howell	Assessors	Jacob Aims Enoch Dean	Assessors
Henry Mead	Collector	Peter Coutant	Collector
Nehemiah Ludlum Henry C Porter	Constables	Caleb Crane William D Hughes	Constables

N Dean Clerk &c

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the subject of presenting a Standard or Color to a new Regiment of Artillery commanded by Colonel Constantine presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee beg respectfully to Report on the annexed Resolution offered by M[r] Seaman proposing to present a Standard or Color to a new Regiment of Artillery lately formed in this City under the command of Colonel Constantine called the 31[st] Regiment (in the Ninth Brigade commanded by General Gilbert Hopkins)

Your Committee understand that it has been a long established

practice for the Common Council On the first Organization of Regiments to present Standards or Colors to them—And the [10] propriety of so doing is manifest, when we reflect how frequently the Military uniform Regiments are useful to the Municipal Authorities on public Occasions

Indeed the time of the Officers and privates of the uniform Corps is considerably occupied in attending to their duties, and it is well known that their discipline and Military appearance are equal to any Military Brigades in the Country—Your Committee consider that a good understanding between the Mu[n]icipal authorities and the various civil and Military departments in the City, is of the utmost consequence and that the practice of presenting Colors to new Regiments is well calculated to promote that end—Your Committee therefore concur in the annexed Resolution, which limits the expence of the Standard to be presented to Colonel Constantines Regiment to One hundred & fifty Dollars, and they therefore recommend that the said Resolution be adopted by the Board—All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
John R Peters
William W Mott
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Resolution was in the words following

[11] Resolved that the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated for the purchas of a Standard or Color to be presented by the Common Council to the said Regiment.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Fulton street repaved between Broadway and the North River presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Fulton street repaved between Broadway and the North River Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion that Street requires repaving between Broadway and Greenwich street only and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Fulton street be repaved from Broadway to Greenwich street.

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petitions for repaving Provoost street from Hudson to Greenwich street presented the following Report in favor of the same

[12] The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition for Repaving Provoost street from Hudson street to Greenwich street Respectfully

Report

That having examined the situation of the Street above mentioned, they are of opinion that it is very necessary the same should be repaved and accordingly offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Provoost street be repaved from Hudson to Greenwich street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Pope for permission to cut through the Bulkhead at Stanton Street Slip presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Thomas Pope, asking permission to cut through the Bulk head at Stanton Slip, in order to give facilities to filling up the Basin—Respectfully Report,

That having examined the situation of the [13] Bulkhead in question they are of opinion no evil will arise from granting the prayer of the Petitioner, provided it be done in such a way as to involve no liability on the part of the Common Council, and therefore offer for consideration the following Resolution

Resolved that Thomas Pope be permitted to cut through the Bulk head on the Southerly side of Stanton Slip, a space sufficiently large to pass his Scows through; Provided that Henry Eckford Esq^{r} lodge

in the Street Commissioners Office, his written consent thereto, And that the Petitioner Thomas Pope give sufficient security to the Street Commissioner to be by him approved that he will replace in the best and most substantial manner that part of the Bulkhead which shall be cut away by him.

John R Peters
Isaac Brown
Lemuel Pittman
John Shepherd
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Eckford & others to have the Assessments on certain Lots equally divided presented the following Report in favor of the same.

[14] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Eckford and others interested in fourteen Lots of Ground lying between Second and Third streets, and between the First and Second Avenues which were assessed in the opening of Second street in the sum of $1262 praying for a Division of the same among the parties concerned in proportion to their relative rights Respectfully Report

That on Examination they find Five Lots of the above are held by W^m^ Appleby and Selleck Nichols subject to a Mortgage thereon owned by Henry Eckford Three other of the above Lots are owned by John Graham, and the remaining Six Lots are the property of Henry Eckford—Your Committee have deemed it expedient, in order to facilitate the Collection of the Assessments now due on the property above mentioned to make a subdivision thereof among the parties concerned according to the terms of the following Resolutions.

I. Resolved that the Assessment of $1262, made by the Commissioners in the opening of Second street on Fourteen Lots of ground charged as belonging to Henry Eckford, be so apportioned as that the five Lots owned by W^m^ Appleby and Sellick Nichols pay the sum of $485. The Three Lots belonging to Joseph Graham pay the sum of $225, and the Six Lots belonging to Henry Eckford pay the sum of $552 and that the proper amount of interest and charges in each case be added to the principal sum due.

II. [15] Resolved that Morris D Camp who has been appointed the Collector of the foregoing Assessments, be directed to settle with

the Parties above mentioned according to the terms of the preceeding Resolution.

B J Meserole
H B Bolster
William W Mott
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John F Delaplaine to be relieved from the payment of a penalty for not filling in his Lots presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of John F Delaplaine was referred asking for the discontinuance of a Suit commenced against him for not filling in certain sunken Lots.

Report

That it being true that the Petitioner has complied with the Ordinance for the violation of which the suit was brought—Your Committee recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that the suit against John F Delaplaine be discontinued on payment of Costs

Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb
[16] Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Poole for the remission of a penalty for driving a Hackney Coach without Licence presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of Samuel Pool praying for remission of a fine for driving a Hackney Carriage without a License was referred

Report.

That the Petitioner admits that his Carriage was examined by the Hack Inspector and by him pronounced unfit to be licensed: that the Petitioner then in violation of both the Law, and the decision of the Hack Inspector went on the Stand, and from thence took two persons to thirteenth street and demanded as it appears by his own Petition from two to three Dollars—A row here ensues, and somebody complains against him for not having his Carriage Licensed—Here are two violations of the Corporation Ordinances admitted—The

one for not having his Carriage licensed, and the other, a demand for higher fees than the law allows—The penalty for the former is $100, the penalty for the other is $20,

Your Committee offer the following [17] Resolution.

Resolved that the proceedings against Samuel Pool be discontinued on his paying the Costs and the $20 penalty

Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb
Jacob Wyckoff
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick Mullen to be relieved from the payment of a fine for driving a Carriage without Licence presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of Patrick Mullen praying for the remission of a Fine for driving a Hack Carriage which was not Licensed

Report.

That the Petitioner in his Petition admits the violation of the Law but urges that he is poor and has a large family to support—In the cases of small penalties, these reasons have not been considered by Your Committee as sufficient but the Penalty in question is $100, which is perhaps disproportionate to the Offence.

[18] Your Committee recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that Patrick Mullen be relieved from the payment of the fine above referred to on payment of all Costs

Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb
Jacob Wyckoff
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Police Committee and the Committee on the Jail & Bridewell to whom had been referred the Presentment of the Grand Jury of October term presented a Report which was laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Archibald Gourlay for the Office of City Weigher presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Archibald Gourlay to be appointed a City Weigher have made enquiry as to the Character of the Petitioner and find him well recommended to perform the duties of the Office he [19] applies for—They therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Archibald Gourlay be and he is hereby appointed a City Weigher in the place of Reuben W Folger resigned

John Lozier
William S Coe
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and Archibald Gourlay was accordingly appointed to the Office of City Weigher

The Committee on Applications for Office presented the following Resolution on appointing a Regulator of the Public Clocks

Resolved that David J Burger be and he is hereby appointed Regulator of Public Clocks in the City of New York in the place of John Burger Deceased

William S Coe
Isaac Brown
John Lozier

A motion was made to lay the same on the Table the Question having been taken thereon it was passed in the Negative—A Motion was then made to proceed to Ballot whereupon the Board proceeded to Ballot when David J Burger was declared duly elected.

[20] The Special Committee on Blackwells Island presented the following Report.

The Special Committee on Blackwells Island charged with the erection of a new Penitentiary beg leave respectfully to Report.

That under the authority given them, they have in order to facilitate the prosecution of the work caused to be erected on the Island a temporary building for the accommodation of the prisoners, and in which about 125 of them are now lodged. A Stone cutters Shop and a Blacksmiths Shop have also been erected and some additions are about to be made to these buildings, the expense of which was not included in the estimate heretofore submitted to the Board, and which will probably amount to 3000 Dollars—These buildings Your Committee have deemed indispensible to the prosecution of the work, they were charged with, and they will continue to be useful for many years.

The disappointments & delays which the Superintendant Mr Burtis and the Keeper of the Penitentiary Mr Woodruff have met with in this undertaking, and which are incident to the introduction of an entire new order of things among the prisoners, will delay the completion of the building beyond the time at first anticipated the 1st of January next, but it is in that state of forwardness there can be no doubt it will be ready for the reception of [21] prisoners at an early period of the next season

The temporary building now erected on the Island together with the old Penitentiary will furnish present accommodations for all the prisoners until the new building is completed, when all the Males both Court prisoners and Vagrants, may be safely Kept on the Island, leaving the Penitentiary at Bellvue for the Females. Under these circumstances your Committee recommend that an application be made to the Legislature for leave to remove the prisoners Kept at the charge of the State from the Greenwich prison to the Penitentiary at Bellvue or such other building, as the Corporation may designate, And that the Finance Committee *to* enquire what appropriation shall be made of the Greenwich Prison. If that property is to be sold as has been contemplated measures should be taken to bring it into Market by the 1st of February next—Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Committee on Applications to the Legislature be instructed to prepare a Memorial to the Legislature praying leave to remove the Female prisoners to the Penitentiary or such other building as the Corporation may designate

Resolved that the Finance Committee be instructed to Report what is a proper disposition [22] to be made of the Greenwich Prison

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
Wm H Ireland
Thomas T Woodruff
Anthony Lamb
Abm M Valentine
Gideon Ostrander
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted.

Alderman Peters then presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Finance Committee to procure a

Map of the Old State Prison out Buildings Walls & grounds connected therewith.

And also that the said Committee report upon the expediency of offering to exchange the main building and part of the grounds on Elm street with a view of converting the said main building into a State Arsenal and of converting the present Arsenal into a Jail & Bridewell

Also Resolved that said Committee Report a plan for laying out & disposing of the vacant grounds attached to the old State Prison

[23] The Alderman and Assistant of the 8th Ward and the Street Commissioner presented the following Report on Petition for a Well and Pump in Wooster street between Prince and Spring street

The Alderman and Assistant of the 8th Ward and the Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons for a Well and Pump in Wooster street between Spring and Prince Streets

Respectfully Report

That a Well and Pump is much wanted by the Inhabitants of that neighbourhood and they offer the following resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump erected therein, in Wooster street between Spring & Prince street.

Stuart F Randolph
J. F Sibell
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Counsel presented the following Report & deed of Cession from Trustees of Sailors Snug Harbour of parts of Mercer, Greene & Wooster streets

The Counsel herewith respectfully encloses a Deed of Cession from the Sailors Snug Harbour of Mercer Greene and Wooster streets, from Art street to Eighth street, This Cession has been [24] made in pursuance of the request of the Street Commissioner, and in order to save the necessity of *of* opening those streets by legal proceedings

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was approved, The deed Accepted, and directed to be Recorded.

The Counsel presented the following Report of Certificates of Sales of Lands sold by the Street Commissioner for non-payment of Assessments

The Counsel respectfully Reports to the Board that pursuant to the directions of the Street Commissioner, he has prepared the fol-

lowing Certificates of Land sold for Assessments at Public Auction on the 13th day of October 1828—The parties have two years in which they may redeem said Lands. The Counsel respectfully requests that authority may be given to have the said Certificates executed during the recess of the Board in the usual manner.

M Ulshoeffer.

1. Three Lots of land on the West side of La Fayette Place and Ten Lots on the East side thereof between Fourth & Art streets, Assessed as belonging to John Jacob Astor, sold to William B Astor for 11 years for $5964,$^{97}/_{100}$

2. All that piece of Land on the South side of Bancker [25] street between Oliver & Catharine streets assessed as belonging to the estate of Franklin sold to Abraham Baudoine for 980 years for 301 $^{49}/_{100}$.

3. A Lot on the South side of Bancker street between James & Roosevelt streets assessed as belonging to Alexander Divver numbered in the Assessment Map 116 sold to John Vanderbilt for 30 years for $352,$^{5}/_{100}$.

4. A Lot similarly situated with the last, assessed as belonging to Alexander Divver, numbered on the Assessment Map 117 sold to John Vanderbilt for 24 years for $572,$^{86}/_{100}$

5. A Lot on the West side of James street between Bancker & Oak streets assessed as belonging to Alexander Divver sold to John Vanderbilt for 24 years for $181,$^{75}/_{100}$.

6. Two Lots on the North side of Second street between the Bowery & Second Avenue, assessed as belonging to the devisees of William Hillyer sold to Edward B Tyler & Peter De Witt for 699 years for $324.$^{97}/_{100}$.

7. A Lot on the East side of the Bowery between Second and Third streets assessed as belonging to the devisees of William Hillyer sold to Edward B Tylee & Peter De Witt for 799 years for $402.$^{10}/_{100}$. [26] 8. Six Lots on the North side of Second street between Avenues C & D and being the North East corner of Second street and Avenue C assessed as belonging to W S Johnson & H Fitz sold to John Van Boskerck for 2 years for $1230,$^{68}/_{100}$.

9. One Lot on the West side of Avenue D between Third & Fourth streets assessed as belonging to John Arden sold to George Lovett for 500 years for $53,$^{96}/_{100}$ numbered on Assessment Map 41.

10. One Lot on the North side of Third street between Avenues C & D assessed as belonging to Thomas W Dick sold to George Lovett for 500 years for 361,$^{46}/_{100}$

11. One Lot on the West side of Avenue D between Third and Fourth streets Assessed as belonging to John Arden numbered on Assessment Map 17 Sold to Thomas Blanch for 20 years for $22,24/100.

12. Two Lots on the North side of Fifth street between Avenue C & D assessed as belonging to John Arden sold to Thomas Blanch for 91 years for $51 32/100.

13. A Lot on the North side of Fifth street assessed as belonging to John Arden sold to Thomas Blanch for 35 years for $22,29/100.

14. [27] Three pieces of Land lying on the North & South sides of Fifth & Sixth streets between the First Avenue and Avenue A assessed as belonging to the Devisees of William Hillyer, sold to Thomas Blanch for 250 years for $198 17/100

15. A piece of land on the North side of Fifth street between Avenue D & Mangin street Assessed as belonging to unknown owners or as Lewis Street sold to George Lovett for 500 years for $407 17/100.

16. A piece of Land on the North side of Fifth street between the First Avenue and Avenue A Assessed as belonging to unknown owners or as Orchard Lane sold to William B Astor for 300 years for $139 88/100.

17. A Lot of land on the East side of Broad street at the corner of Garden street, Assessed as belonging to John B Murray sold to John L Mason for 90 years for $897 85/100

18. A Lot on the West side of Elizabeth street between Prince & Houston streets numbered in the Assessment Map as 5. Assessed as belonging to Charles Ferdon sold to William Lewis for 2 years for $38,13/100.

19. A Lot on the West side of Elizabeth street between Prince & Houston streets numbered on the Assessment Map as 6. Assessed as belonging to Charles Ferdon sold to William Lewis for 7 years for $41,25/100.

20. [28] A Lot on the West side of Elizabeth street between Prince & Houston streets numbered on the Assessment Map as 7. Assessed as belonging to Charles Ferdon sold to William Lewis for 7 years for $41,35/100.

21. A Lot on the West side of Elizabeth street between Prince & Houston street numbered *as* [on] the Assessment Map as 8. Assessed as belonging to Charles Ferdon sold to William Lewis for 4 years for $38,51/100.

22. A Lot of land on the South side of Liberty street between Maiden Lane & William street assessed as belonging to E Chamberlain sold to William Lewis for 2 years for $31,75/100

23 The Bulkhead on the West side of West street between Cedar & Liberty streets, assessed as belonging to John R Murray sold to George Lovett for 400 years for $466,$^{78}/_{100}$

24 A piece of land on the East side of Greene street being the South half of what is commonly called Amity Lane Assessed as belonging to Elbert Herring sold to John W Wyman for 37 years for $541 $^{41}/_{100}$.

25. A piece of Land on the West side of Mercer street being the South half of what is commonly called Amity Lane, Assessed as belonging to the Manhattan Company sold to J Green Pearson for 4 years for $104,$^{54}/_{100}$

26. [29] A Lot on the West side of Sullivan between Prince & Houston streets Assessed as belonging to Reuben P Bunnell sold to William Lewis for 2 years for $21.$^{96}/_{100}$

27. A Lot on the West side of Mulberry between Prince & Houston streets assessed as belonging to Asa Holden sold to Asa Holden for one year for $103 $^{91}/_{100}$.

28. A Lot on the North side of Sixth street between Factory street and the Sixth Avenue Assessed as belonging to Alfred S Pell sold to William Lewis for 40 years for $34,$^{85}/_{100}$

29. Three Lots on the South side of Twelfth street between the 5th & 6th Avenues Assessed as belonging to the Estate of Rachel Arden, sold to Robert Steele for 9 years for $257 $^{83}/_{100}$

30. A Lot on the South side of Twelfth street between the 5th & 6th Avenues Assessed as belonging to the Estate of Rachel Arden sold to Robert Steele for 12 years for 76,$^{57}/_{100}$.

31. A Lot on the North side of Twelfth street between the 5th & 6th Avenues Assessed as belonging to William Channing sold to John Allen for 70 years for 60 $^{48}/_{100}$.

32. A piece of land on the South side of Twelfth street between the 5th & 6th Avenues Assessed as belonging to unknown owners sold to Andrew Smith for 500 years for $150,$^{58}/_{100}$.

33. [30] A Lot on the South side of Twelfth street between Broadway & the 5th Avenue Assessed as belonging to Thomas Gibbons sold to Abraham Baudoine for 99 years for $146,$^{29}/_{100}$

34. A Lot on the East side of McDougal street between Amity & Fourth streets Assessed as belonging to Alfred S Pell sold to George Lovett for 50 years for $173,$^{84}/_{100}$.

35. A Lot on the North side of Madison between Gouverneur & Walnut streets assessed as belonging to J Verplank sold to William Taylor for 9 years for $27,$^{98}/_{100}$.

36 A Lot on the west side of Gouverneur between Madison and Henry streets numbered on Assessment Map as 20 assessed as belonging to J Verplank sold to William Taylor for 8 years for $25,^{2}7/_{100}$.

37. A Lot on the West side of Gouverneur between Madison & Henry streets numbered on Assessment Map as 21 Assessed as belonging to J Verplank sold to Thomas Blanch for 7 years for $24,^{1}7/_{100}$.

38 A Lot on the West side of Gouverneur street between Madison & Lombardy streets assessed as belonging to Samuel L Gouverneur sold to Thomas Blanch for 7 years for $24,^{1}7/_{100}$.

39. [31] A Lot on the North side of Madison street between Gouverneur & Scammel streets assessed as belonging to Louisa Verplank sold to Thomas Blanch for 6 years for $37.^{8}3/_{100}$ numbered on Assessment Map as 31

40. A Lot on the North side of Madison street between Gouverneur & Scammel Streets numbered on the Assessment Map as 33 Assessed as belonging to Louisa Verplank sold to Henry Cochran for 8 years for $44,^{7}3/_{100}$.

41. Four Lots on the West side of the Bowery between 4th & Art streets being part of Vauxhall Garden assessed as belonging to John Jacob Astor sold to William B Astor for 9 years for $66,

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Thereupon the Certificates were directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Counsel reported that the Supreme Court had confirmed the Report of the Commissioners on improving the South west side of Liberty street and 15th Street from the Bowery to the 3d Avenue which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of delinquents on the Assessment for paving Houston street [32] from Crosby to Elizabeth street and also for paving Greenwich Lane from the 6th Avenue to 13th Street which were read and Warrants ordered to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto vizt

For pitching and paving 4th Street between the Bowery & the 1st Avenue & Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For a Well & Pump in Gouverneur street near Harman street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto.

For repaving Provoost street from Hudson to Greenwich street and Joseph D Palmer Pine Hopkins & George C Hawthorn appointed Assessors.

For repaving Fulton street from Broadway to Greenwich street and Alpheus Sherman Charles Dusenberry & James Barckley were appointed Assessors.

[33] For a Well and Pump in Wooster street between Spring & Prince street and Henry Ritter Everardus Warner & Gabriel Van Cott appointe[d]

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were accepted and appointments made Viz[t]

Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 2

Samuel Young Carpenter 118 Harman S[t]
V[c] Joseph Parker J[r] Resigned

N[o] 4

Abraham Brower Plumber 230 Water Street
V[c] Harold Geer Resigned

William M[c]Donald Cooper 40 Oliver S[t]
V[c] Hiram H Crocker D[o]

Cyrus E Bunker Painter 143 Pump S[t]
V[c] E W Taylor D[o]

Benjamin F Bunker Painter 66 Christie S[t]
V[c] Thomas Secore D[o]

Henry Hempstead Boat Builder Water S[t]
V[c] Peter P Bartine D[o]

N[o] 14

Ebenezer Silleck Tailor 28 Liberty S[t]
V[c] James Moncrieff Resigned

[34] N[o] 15

Charles C Campbell Currier 69 Hester S[t]
V[c] Thomas Kennedy—App[d] a Warden

Robert A. M[c]Kinley Grocer 190 Mulberry S[t]
V[c] Benj[n] L Guion Resigned

N[o] 22

Nelson Berry—Rigger 33 Essex St V[c] Thomas Fargo Resigned

Francis H Obrey—Ship wright 156 Leonard S[t]
V[c] William Martin—Time Expired

N° 23

Charles L Mickelbergh Carpenter 75 Sullivan S^t^
V^c^ George B Innes Resigned

John Hewitt—Glass cutter Cor Rose & Pearl S^t^
V^c^ Abraham Ackerman Resigned

N° 27

James Scott—Stone cutter 260 Hudson S^t^
V^c^ William Attmore—Resigned

Enoch W Jaques—Mason 62½ Sullivan S^t^
V^c^ William Parmley—Resigned

N° 32

Darius Farrington Carpenter 78 Norfolk S^t^
V^c^ Samuel Holmes Resigned
Caleb Odell Resigned

N° 34

James J Springer Carpenter Renwick S^t^
V^c^ Noah Doremus Resigned

[35] N° 36

Samuel J Concklin Stone Cutter 272 Spring S^t^
V^c^ Cornelius Winant—Resigned

N° 37

Cornelius H Stockdale Carpenter 78 Stanton S^t^
V^c^ William H Bangs—Resigned

N° 39

Hugh W Reilly Carpenter Bedford S^t^ V^c^ John Clark Resigned

New C° N° 48—appointments

Robert Simpson Grocer Cor 8^th^ Avenue & 14^th^ Street
Stephen Merritt Dyer Factor[y] Road
John Simpson Carpenter Bank Street
James Harsen Milkman 8^th^ Avenue
Frederick M Irish Milkman 30^th^ Street
Robert R Lorton Carpenter 19^th^ Street
Alfred Mead Mason 20^th^ Street
John F Lawrence Blacksmith 8^th^ Avenue
Thomas Hyde Butcher 8 Avenue
John Mogier Mason 19^th^ Street
Edward L Webber Carpenter 19^th^ Street
David Davis Mason 16^th^ Street
James R Howell Cartman 20^th^ Street

Fire Wardens Co

9th Ward

William J Roome Painter Burrows St

Vc Freeman Cole—Time Expired

[36] 10th Ward

Cyrus Baldwin Chair Maker 78 Forsyth St

Vc Augustus Cregier—Resigned

14th Ward

Abraham Ackerman Jeweller 494 Greenwich St

Vc William C McIntosh Exempt in consequence of injury received while in discharge of his duty as a Fireman

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in Lots on Twelfth street at the public charge, a Lien for repayment to be held on the Lands by the Corporation, which was read and passed.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for Correction of Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances. Vizt

No	1	J L Ackerman	Owner	No 33	Provoost St	A Lot
	2.	Js Gilbert	Do		Twelfth St	Do
	3.	Rd Sl Haskill	Do		Broadway	Do
	4.	R Hogan	Do	229	Stanton St	Do
	5.	As Wynkoop	Do	20	Avenue C	Do
	6.	D Lyons	Do	22	Do	Do
	7.	Wm D Cochran	Do		Second Street	Do
	8.	Jno Sparks	Do		Mulberry St	Do
	9	E Cauldwell	Do		Mott St	Do
	10.	[37] Js D Livingston	do		Ridge St	A Lot
	11.	Augs Wynkoop	do		Second Street	A Lot
	12.	M Funk	Do	92	Fulton St	A Privy

George Cuming
City Inspector.

Which were read and passed.

On Motion of Alderman Lamb the Report of the Market Committee & the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips which was laid for consideration on the 21st April last was called up and read in the words following to wit

The Market Committee and the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed Resolution, Petition and Re-

monstrance in relation to the continuation of West street across the Basin at Washington Market

Respectfully Report

That West street being a great leading Street along the Margin of the North River, and a principal Channel of communication for the very extensive trade of the West part of the City (which will be greatly increased by the recent establishment of a Line of Tow Boats between Courtlandt and Fulton streets and the erection of an extensive range of Stores between those Streets along the Easterly side of West street) the contiguity of its parts ought not [38] to be interrupted as it now is by the aforesaid Basin.

The said street now extends from the Albany Basin to the State Prison, in one unbroken line, except at Spring Street Basin (across which it has been ordered to be continued) and at Washington Market Basin, and it will shortly be extended from the State Prison so as to unite with the Tenth Avenue above Fort Gansevoort, when that shall be done, and the street continued across the Washington Market Basin, and the Tenth Avenue be opened it will form a direct and uninterrupted communication from the Albany Basin to Kings Bridge at which place the said Avenue terminates.

Washington Market Basin, in its present state is a great impediment to the free intercourse which ought to exist between the upper and lower parts of the City along the North River as all persons passing from one to the other along West street, are under the necessity of going round Washington Market into Washington street which during the bussiness hours of the day, is so much obstructed by Market Carts and Waggons as to render the passage of other Carriages almost impracticable.

The proposed improvement is in the opinion of your Committee necessary for the accommodation of the Washington Market—At present there is but a few feet between the Market and the Bulk head on the West side which is barely sufficient for the passage [39] of a Cart, and that only as far as the middle Pier, there being no Passage whatever for Carts or Passengers from the middle Pier to the North side of the Basin.

The Basin if West street should be extended across it, would still be sufficiently large for the accommodation of Market Boats as well as such others as would have occasion to resort to this place, there would remain of said Basin a Space of 327 feet by 192.

That part of said Basin proposed to be taken off is now principally occupied by Oyster and Clam Boats, and is so shallow that it will

require considerable expense with the Mud Machine to clear it out unless the proposed improvement should be made

The expence of extending West street across the said Basin is estimated by the Street Commissioner at $5500, Your Committee propose for the Consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips cause West street to be extended across the Slip at Washington Market between Fulton and Vesey streets

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W^m H Ireland
Samuel Stevens
Ab^m M Valentine
Isaac Brown
[40] John Shepherd Jun^r
W Seaman
Lemuel Pittman

Whereupon the Report was approved and the Resolution adopted

His Honor the Recorder presented the following which was adopted and directed to be published.

His Excellency Nathaniel Pitcher the acting Governor of the State of New York having recommended Thursday the fourth day of December next as a day of Prayer & Thanksgiving throughout the State —The Common Council recommend to the Citizens of the City the observance of the same with all the solemnities suited to the occasion.

M^r Bolton presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Gas.

Resolved that the Special Committee on Gas be instructed to light Wall street with Gas light.

Alderman Mott presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Special Committee on Gas

Resolved that the Special Committee on Gas be authorized to contract for 150 Iron Pillars [41] for Gas Lamps when in their opinion the same can be done to most advantage.

M^r Shepherd presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be instructed to cause the Sewer at the foot of Canal street to be extended the necessary distance this fall.

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

Resolved that an Application be made to the Legislature at their next Session for the passage of an Act establishing a Board of Commissioners who shall have full power and authority to grant all Tavren & Excise Licences within the City & County of New York.

Alderman Lamb presented the following Preamble and Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

Whereas by the Constitution of this State it is declared that Laws shall be made for ascertaining by proper proofs the Citizens who shall be entitled to the right of sufferage established by the said Constitution

[42] And whereas the number of Votes taken in this City is so great that it is not in the power of the Inspectors of Election properly to examine into the qualifications of the persons offering their votes during the Election, in consequence of which there is much reason to fear that many illegal votes are unavoidably received and the pu[r]ity of the Elective franchise thereby impaired.

Therefore Resolved that an application be made to the Legislature at the next Session for the passage of an Act authorising and directing a Register of the Electors in the several Wards in this City to be annually made some time previously to the day of Election.

M^r^ Palmer presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Market Committee.

Whereas there is much fraud and deception practised in the Measurement of Potatoes.

Resolved that it is expedient to adopt some further measures for the more just and equal measurement of Potatoes.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that the newly elected Members of the Board be furnished with a Map of the City also a Staff of Office and with the Laws of the State applicable to the City and also the City Ordinances

[43] A Motion having been made to lay the same on the Table and a Division having been called by Alderman Peters the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative M^r^ Recorder Al^d^ Smith Mott Ireland Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Ostrander Pittman Valentine Woodruff M^r^ Bolton Stevens Brown Sibell Amerman Meserole Bolster Palmer 20

In the Negative Al^d^ Peters 1

So it was carried in the Affirmative to lay the same on the Table.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was laid on the Table.

Resolved that all expenditures by authority of this Board and all Acts of this Common Council affecting the rights of Citizens are and ought to be passed upon in Public, and that the Records of the same are and ought to be subject to the Inspection of all Citizens who are entitled to vote for Charter Officers in this City.

[44] The Comptroller presented the following Report.

Balance as per Act[t] 3[d] Inst	3.62
Rec[d] for Tax of 1828	19.100.
" " Streets	18.356.24
" " Rents	4.395.75
" " Fines of Attorney	676.65
" " Justices Courts	524.07
" " Superior Court fees	485.50
" " Wells & Pumps	222.06
" " Mayoralty fees	53.
Loan on Mechanics Bank authorized 25[th] August balance	13.600.00
	$57.416.89

80 Accounts Audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1[st] Dis[t]	1386.
Asten & Hibberd " 2[d] "	945.
Stagg & Herring " 3[d] "	945.
John W Seaman Clerk S[t] Com[r] 1 Q[r] Salary 5 Nov[r]	125.
Henry Andrew Carpet for Common Council Room	363.50
Richards & Morrell Clock for do Do	110.
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Act[s]	52.50
Jo[s] Leonard furnishing lists Passengers 6 Mo 1 Nov[r]	50.
Benj[n] Stuart Sunday service by order of the Mayor 25 days to 1 Nov[r]	37.50
J W Somerndyke & S Lyon do 6 Ward 12 days to 10 Nov[r]	36.
Ja[s] Dewey 2[d] do 2[d] Ward 22 days to 1 Nov[r]	33.
Thomas Cornell do 14 Ward 16 days to 10 Nov[r]	24.
[45] Ja[s] Burns & Sons services attending the visit of Indians	42.25
Sam[l] Kip Jr Brandy Rum & Sugar Do	17.59
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo 1 Nov[r]	82.17
P Amerman Do. 3 Markets " "	54.50
J Macy & Son 30 Casks Oil	736.60
J Sidell First Marshall to pay 55 Peace Officers attend[g] Election	588.
Ab[m] Dally for 14 Canvassers of Election	42.
G. N Bleecker Comptroller 1 Q[r] Salary 15 Nov[r] & postage	450.33
Ab[m] Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 16 Nov[r]	113.50
Hugh Maxwell Dis[t] Attorney 1 Q[r] Salary 12 Nov[r]	750.
R Hatfield Clerk of Sessions 1 Q[r] " "	500.
R Hatfield do to pay Witness " "	12

O M Lownds Sheriff for Deps Conveyg Prisoners to Penitentiary &c 6 Mo 1 Novr ..... 64.
John P Roome Crier of Court 1 Qr 3 Novr ..... 50.
J Hopson Special Justice 1 Qur Salary 12 Novr 400.
Abm M Valentine do " " 400.
J W Wyman do " " 400.
R Stephens Clerk Police " " 312.50
J Townsend Asst Clerk do " " 200.
J Hammond Justice 1. 2. 3 Wards " 1 Novr 400.
E T Pinckney " 9. 11 " " " 400.
D M Cowdrey Clerk 1. 2. 3 Wards " " 187.50
J Campbell " 5. 8. 14 Wards " " 187.50
R L Jaques " 9. 11 " " " 187.50
Wm M Shepherd Rent for Court 5. 8. 14 Wards 1 Qr 1 Novr 31.25
[46] P Van Pelt Printing 1 Qr 1 Novr 406.81
J. F Sibell Stationary to 1 Novr 232.26
Daily Advertiser Subscription 6 Mo 1 Novr ..... 50.
R Graves St Comr Awd to T Madden Openg La Fayette Place to be pd into Court ..... 4447.
Unknown Owners Awd openg La Fayette Place from 8th to Art St ..... 4389.
E Weeks Atty for Chs Coles Actt reg 2d St fr Bowery to Avenue D ..... 750.
O Smith Actt reg & pav West St fm Duane to Harrison St 600.
S Fargay Actt reg & pav Broome St fm Mangin St to bulkhead ..... 450.
M Ulshoeffer Atty Costs &c Openg 86th St fm 8th Avenue to East River 387.26
M Ulshoeffer do openg 6th Avenue fm 21st St to Bloomingdale Road 254.86
M Ulshoeffer do Openg Jane St b Greenwich Lane & Hudson River 130.23
P. Smith Actt pav Houston fm Elizabeth to Crossby St .... 350.
S Fargay Actt repav Water St fm Wall st to Old Slip ..... 200.
P. Smith Actt reg & pav Greene St fm Bleecker to 4th St .. 200.
O McCabe bal pav Elizabeth fm Prince to Bleecker St 141.11
D Mehan Actt repav Chesnut fm Oak to Madison St ..... 100.
S Fickett awd openg Avenue D fm 6th to 10th Street ..... 72.
S Fargay bal reg & pav 4th St fm Broadway to Bowery 70.98
C Oakly Atty for Jesse Knight bal pav Side walks Herring fm Carmine to Christie St 43.92
S Parker & 41 Associates Assessing Streets & Wells 6 Mo to 1 Novr ..... 1556.
M D Higgins Inspecting paving Streets 1 Jany to 1 Novr .. 520.74
Jas Smith Inspecting paving Streets 192.39
Wm Gee posting bills for St Com to 22d Octr 27.75
J Pinkerton Acctt laying Curb Stones in the Park ..... 500.
J Gallagher Junr bal for Well Crosby bn Broome & Spring St 28.12

[47] P McGlinn 1st payt Well 4th St near Wooster St.....	30.	
S Divver for Well Vestry near Washington St.....	32.64	
J Gallagher Senr 1st pt Well Bowery near Hester St.....	41.	
D Harren 1st payt Well 13th St near 7 Avenue.....	43.50	
D Harren for Well Spring near Hudson St removed.....	54.	
J. McBarren for Well Nassau near Liberty St removed....	69.	
D. Harren for Well Mulberry near Grand St removed....	79.	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Docks & Slips.....	6045.	
J. P. Roome " " Fire Dept	1700.	
J. P. Roome " " Repairs	795.	
J. P. Roome " " Watch	428.	
J. P. Roome " " Pumps	367.	
J. P. Roome " 1 Qr Salary 14 Novr.....	300.	
J. P. Roome " for Lamps	130.	
J Fleming Treasr for pay of Witnesses Ordered by Court.	10.	
J Fleming Trear to pay Interest City Stock 1 Qr 1 Nor on Actt.....	4000.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for building on Blackwells Island	6000.	
A Burtis do Alms House	10.000.	56.941.26
	Balance	$475.63

Board adjourned to Monday the 1st day of December next at 5 OClock P. M.

[48] In Common Council 19th November

Special Meeting

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Jacob Wyckoff
William W Mott	Samuel Stevens
William H Ireland	Isaac Brown
Anthony Lamb	John Shepherd Junr
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	John F Sibell
Stuart F Randolph	Isaac Amerman
John R Peters	Bernard J Meserole
Gideon Ostrander	Henry B Bolster
Samuel Pittman	James Palmer
Abm M Valentine	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

An Invitation was received from Major General Morton to the review of the Artillery to be under arms on the 25th Instant in commemoration of the [49] 25th November 1783 which restored our

Fellow Citizens to their Fire sides and their homes at the close of the Revolutionary War—The Review to take place in front of the City Hall at 12 OClock—The Invitation was accepted and Alderman Lozier Mr Seaman & Mr Wyckoff were appointed a Committee to make arrangements for the reception of the Officers on duty that day.

The Counsel stated that Mr Sidell one of the Commissioners on opening and extending Exchange Place had resigned the appointment—And that it was necessary to apply to the Supreme Court for the appointment of a Commissioner in his place—Whereupon it was directed that the Counsel prepare the necessary Petition and that it be authenticated in the recess of the Board.

The Mayor stated that he had summoned the Board to take into consideration the circumstances attending an affray between two members of the Board in the Common Council Chamber after the adjournment at the last Meeting but before the Members had left the Chamber, and mentioned that he had received a Letter from Mr Stevens (one of the party) on the subject.

The letter from Mr Stevens was read and after some discussion was ordered to lie on the Table

A Letter was also received from Mr Sibell which was also laid on the Table

[50] Mr Recorder presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that it be referred to a Special Committee of this Board to enquire whether by the Charter of the City, or by Law, the Common Council have any, and if any, what means to punish any misconduct or language of a member of the Board in the presence of the Magistrates composing the Common Council and in the Common Council Chamber but after the Board has been duly regularly adjourned.

Alderman Ireland moved the following amendment which was agreed to (after the word Common Council Chamber) "or in any other place in the presence of the members of the Board"—The question was then taken on the whole Resolution and was carried in the Affirmative

The Mayor appointed on the Committee Mr Recorder Ald Mott Lamb Ostrander Mr Seaman.

A request from Isaac Pierson and others for permission to remove from a Vault of Wall street Church for Interment at Poughkeepsie the remains [51] of Captain Joseph Nelson who died in 1812 was read and the request granted.

Alderman Ostrander presented the following which was referred to the Market Committee with powers.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to build a Shed adjoining the West end of the Essex Market under the direction of the Market Committee.

Board adjourned to Monday the 1st day of December next at 5 OClock P M

[52] In Common Council December 1st 1828

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Junr
Gideon Ostrander	William Seaman
Samuel Pittman	John F Sibell
Abraham M Valentine	Isaac Amerman
Thomas T Woodruff	Bernard J Meserole
	Henry B Bolster
	William James Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Lieutenant Wilkes of the United States Navy was presented stating that he was preparing Instruments for the exploring expedition ordered by the United States and requesting the use of the Transit Instrument about to be set up at the [55] Hall together with the use of the Room until the sailing of the expedition for the Keeper of Chronometers and other Astronomical Instruments that may be required for observations—Which having been read the request was granted.

A Petition of Mrs Jane Sloan to be paid the Balance of $1200, due her late husband on a Contract for the regulation of Greenwich Lane from the 6th Avenue to 13th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of William Heckle for Stall No 47 Fulton Market formerly occupied by William J Boyce was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition was received from John N Simpson Agent of the Governor of New Jersey stating that the Legislature of New Jersey at their late Session had by Resolution requested the Governor of the State to procure information of the amount of Tonnage of all goods that pass annually between the City of New York and all places on the Delaware River and Bay Philadelphia & the Chesapeake Bay to

ascertain the probable amount of Tonnage which would pass yearly through a Canal connecting the Tide waters of the Delaware & Raritan —Also the amount of Tonnage on the Erie Canal—The Petitioner being appointed [54] by the Governor to procure the information & believing that the proposed Canal would be highly interesting to the City of New York he requested the Assistance of the Corporation in obtaining information, and that it might be made a Public document. The same having been read, was referred to a Special Committee consisting of Mr Stevens, Aldermen Mott & Coe.

A Petition of Thomas H Leggett in behalf of Walter Franklin and others stating that they were the owners of a Lot of ground corner of Madison & Oliver street, that in the improving of Madison street the said Lot was taken at a valuation of $3,100 with the exception of a small Gore of two feet three inches on Oliver street, which said Gore has been assessed to the amount of $300 dollars, And praying that the Common Council would pay them for all the ground or relieve them from the Assessments yet against it, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Philip Rhinelander Executor of the Estate of William Rhinelander deceased for remission of a Tax on personal property of said Estate was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Haskell for extension of time for paying the Assessment due for [55] regulating 13th Street and the 5th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of William Shaw to Lease a parcel of ground from the Corporation near the 5th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of a number of Butchers in the Essex Market praying that the Corporation may not dispose of the Stalls in said Market inasmuch as it will not leave sufficient room for the Hucksters nor enable them to obtain a livelihood for themselves and families was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Caleb Vandenburgh for a Butchers Licence for a Stall in Essex Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John Winship for a Stall in Grand street Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of William Shelton for a Stall in Grand Street Market was read and referred to the Committee on Markets

A Petition of David Field for the [56] Office of Captain of the 2d District City watch was read and referred to the Watch Committee.

A Petition of Colonel Gideon McChain of 235th Regiment 45th Brigade of Infantry of this State for a suitable Stand of Colors at the public expense was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Francis Fickett & others to postpone the Assessment for filling in 5th Street between Avenue C and the East River until the whole Street is filled in was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Garrit Storms and a number of others Owners and Occupants of property in Broadway in the vicinity of Chamber & Warren streets against the existing Nuisances around and adjacent to the Bridewell was read and referred to the Committee on Lands and places.

A Petition of Thomas W Ludlow for permission to erect an Iron Railing on the Side walk along the Gable end of his House at the corner of Varick & Laight streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 5th Ward & Street Commissioner.

[57] A Petition of Cornelius Lafferty to be appointed Keeper of the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of a number of persons praying that Ann street may be widened from the Park to William street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Weeden & others for a Well & Pump at the corner of 2d Avenue and 2d Street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Perkins Nicolls to have Third street filled in from Lewis to Goerck Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Carlisle Weeks to be relieved from the payment of a fine for not cleaning a manure Box in his yard was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of sundry persons for a Well & Pump at the corner of Washington & Watts street was read & referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 5th Ward & Street Commissioner.

[58] A Petition of Antoine Malapar to be relieved from the payment of an Assessment on his personal property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Charles Town to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Assessment on his property in the 14th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Scott & Francis Fickett for an apportionment of the

Assessment on property for opening Third & Fourth streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

The following Report was received from the Commissioners of School Money in compliance with the Law of the State which was read ordered to be filed, and to be published in the papers employed by the Board.

To the Honorable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

In conformity with sundry provisions of the State and City authorities, The Commissioners of School money for the City of New York respectfully

Report.

The Total sum placed to the credit of the [59] Commissioners, for the year ending first of May 1828 was Twenty one thousand one hundred and five $^{34}/_{100}$ dollars, One thousand dollars of which sum the Commissioners have paid to the trustees of the Bethel Baptist Church, being the Third annual Installment of an award of Four thousand dollars, made in favor of that Institution, in pursuance of a Law of this State passed 19th November 1824—Of the remaining Funds the Commissioners have divided and paid over to the Trustees of the several Schools, designated by the Common Council to participate in such funds the sum of Nineteen thousand nine hundred and sixty eight $^{48}/_{100}$ dollars being equal to Four 4 $^{1}/_{100}$ dollars for the actual average attendance of each scholar during the year ending the first of May 1828 Viz[t]

To the Public School Society whose Register number of Scholars is..... 5331
Average attendance of Do 4090
The sum of Eighteen thousand and thirty six $^{90}/_{100}$ dolls
To the Manumission Society whose Register number of Scholars is..... 596
Average attendance of Do 244
One thousand and seventy six $^{4}/_{100}$ dollars
To the Orphan Assylum Society whose Register number of Scholars is... 175
Average attendance of do ... 159
Seven hundred and one $^{19}/_{100}$ dollars
[60] To the Mechanics Society whose Register number of
Scholars taught gratuitously is 40
Average attendance of Do 35
One hundred and fifty four $^{35}/_{100}$ Dollars
This large and excellent School is chiefly composed of pay Scholars, not entitled to participate in the Public School Money.

The Commissioners have great pleasure in Reporting the indefatigable attention and labor of the Trustees of the Public School Society, in

all the departments of the numerous Schools under their charge, and desire to express in their Report, their full confidence, that the School Monies are strictly and most beneficially applied, to their legitimate purposes.

New York 21st November 1828

Gideon Lee Chn
W A Seely Secratary

An Invitation was received from the New York Historical Society to attend an Address to be delivered by their President Mr Kent on friday the 5th Inst (St Nicholas day) was read and accepted

His Honor the Mayor informed the Board that he had this day re-appointed [61] Jacob Hays High Constable for the ensuing year.

The Finance Committee presented the following Report on the subject of the 6 per Cent Stock &c

The Finance Committee respectfully Report that $416.900 dollars of the 6 per Cent Stock is redeemable; and that your Committee have directed the Comptroller to advertise for a Loan of 5 per Cent Stock redeemable after 1 January 1850, in order to substitute the same for the Stock so payable

The best offer is made by John Jacob Astor, and Prime Ward King & Co viz 4½ per Cent advance Which your Committee recommend to be accepted, and they therefore respectfully offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller issue the Stock Certificates, in the usual manner, to the said Astor and King & Co And that the Finance Committee instruct the Comptroller and City Treasurer, as to the Six per cent Stock to be paid off, in such manner as to pay off the 6 per cent Stock, at the same time when the monies for the five per cent Stock shall be received

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[62] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John J Palmer for remission of a fine for erecting a Stairs contrary to Law presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition of John J Palmer was referred

Report

That the Petitioner or rather his Tenant erected a Temporary Ladder to get into the Second Story of his House while the same was under repair and was complained of, and Mr Palmer immediately caused the same to be removed, and it appears the same was put up without his knowledge, under such circumstances your Committee offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Petitioner be relieved on payment of Costs

Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb
Jacob Wyckoff
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of sundry persons to have a Market erected near the intersection of the Bowery and Third Avenue presented a Report [63] in favor of the same, which was laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Richard Conway for Stall No 22 Catharine Market presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of Richard Conway for a Butchers License for Stall No 22 Catharine Market now occupied by Jonathan H Nash Respectfully

Report

That the Petitioner is well recommended and the transfer to him of said Stall is regular

The Committee therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted.

Anthony Lamb
Abm M Valentine
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committees on Arts & Sciences & Jail & Bridewell to whom was referred the subject of enlarging the City Hall presente[d] a Report together with a Plan &c which was read and [64] Laid on the Table. The Resolution directing One hundred dollars to be paid for the plan was adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have

the Cartway of Market Slip from Water to South street paved presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have the Cart way paved on the Westerly side of Market Slip from Water street to South respectfully Report that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Carriage way on the West side of Market street Slip be paved from Water street to South street

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of filling and regulating Avenue C from 2d to 5th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of filling and regulating Avenue C from Second to Fifth street respectfully Report [65] their opinion by the following Resolution

Resolved that Avenue C be filled up and regulated from Second street to Fifth street

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Counsel of the Board that the Supreme Court had confirmed the Report of the Commissioners &c on widening Liberty street, and opening 15th Street between the Bowery and the 3d Avenue presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Counsel to the Board that the Supreme Court had at their last Session confirmed the report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the widening and improving Liberty street, And also for the opening of 15th Street between the Bowery and the 3d Avenue

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee the widening of Liberty street ought to be deferred until the first day of May next, And the

opening of 15th Street to the first day of January next and accordingly submit the following Resolutions.

[66] Resolved that the widening and improving of Liberty street East of Broadway, be delayed to the first of May next and that the buildings and other encumbrances be removed therefrom within 30 days thereafter.

Resolved that the opening of 15th Street from the Bowery to the 3d Avenue be postponed to the first day of January next

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted and Morris D Camp was appointed Collector of the Assessment for opening 15th Street, And Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector of the Assessment for widening Liberty Street.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Resolution directing them to enquire into the expediency of an application for authority to establish a Board of Commissioners for the issuing of Tavren Licences presented a Report which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Street [67] Commissioner made on the 9th day of October 1826 respecting Water Lots at Walnut street Slip included in a Grant to Dominick Lynch but which reverted to the Corporation presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within communication of the Street Commissioner respecting the ground at Walnut Street Slip, It appears that by the grant of the land in front of said Slip to Dominick Lynch, it was provided that when the Slip between Front & South streets should be filled in, the Corporation should resume the possession of Seventy five feet between those streets and the said Lynch the Twenty five feet adjoining his Lots, whereby the Slip from being 125 feet in width as it now is or 150 feet as it then was would be contracted to 50 feet.

The Street Commissioner reports in favor of continuing its width 100 feet, and selling the other 25 feet—This subject has been long pending, and is connected with great difficulties, inasmuch as it appears that Thomas Leggett is the Assignee of the said Grant to Lynch and has taken possession of the 25 feet according to said grant and that by

the terms of the Grant, the Corporation reserved the right to resume the possession of 75 feet as before stated, as private property, or to hold the same for public purposes—And that the Slip (Comprehending the ground in question) was filled in and two thirds of the expense thereof assessed in [68] the usual manner upon the adjoining proprietors, And that the expense of pitching and paving said Slip was also assessed in like manner, M^r^ Leggett was Assessed for these improvements, as if he owned the Lots fronting on said Slip, and he contends that the Corporation by these Assessments, have elected to hold the ground for public purposes, and to give him the front on said Slip—These Assessments took place in 1826, and have been duly collected, with the exception of the Assessment for paving the Slip, which was imposed on said Leggett amounting to $476,26/100 with interest—M^r^ Leggett now offers to pay that Assessment and further to pay $3000, to commute the whole Quit rent due on said Water Grant to Lynch, and the Slip to be left 125 feet wide as at present—Considering all the circumstances connected with this matter, Your Committee have arrived at the Conclusion that it is expedient to accede to M^r^ Leggets offer, and thus to commute the Quit Rent and to leave the said Walnut Slip as at present

They therefore respectfully offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the preceeding Report be accepted, and that the Comptroller upon the payment of said Assessment with Interest and of the said Commutation money prepare the usual Release and that the same be authenticated in [69] the usual manner during the recess of the Board

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
W^m^ H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of the Ninth ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump at the intersection of 5^th^ Street and Barrow street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman & Assistant of the Ninth Ward and the Street Commissioner Report that they have considered the subjoined Petition and are of opinion that a Well & Pump is much wanted where Petitioned for, and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well & Pump be erected near the intersection of 5th & Barrow late Raisen street

John R Peters
Isaac Amerman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for regulating and repaving Henry street from Oliver to Rutgers street [70] Whereupon a Warrant was directed to issue to Nicholas C Everitt to collect the same.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For filling up Avenue C from Second to Fifth street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine & Shivers Parker appointed Assessors.

For repaving Market street Slip on the Westerly side between Water and South streets and Abraham Lefoy John B Thorp & John Leonard were appointed Assessors.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for a Well & Pump in 21st Street near the 8th Avenue which was confirmed and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the resignations were accepted and the Assessments made vizt

Fire Engine Co
No 2

John W Slocum—Blind Maker Orchard & Division St
Vc Jonas Colon—Resigned

[71] No 4

John B Haskins Sail Maker 14 Doyer St
Vc James C Alcock—Resigned

No 5

William E Stoutenburg Dutch cor Fulton St Accountant
Vc Francis F Hill—Appointed a Warden

No 12

Thomas Trotter—Book Binder 7 Rose Street
Vc William Samo Resigned
Thomas H Noble
Henry Lott
Peter Rogers &
John Hoye— Resigned

N° 15.

John W Lamson Carpenter 44 Oak S^t^

V^c^ James M^c^Cullum Resigned

N° 17

John Hunniford Tin Smith 517 Broome S^t^

V^c^ Asa H Phelps—Resigned

N° 18

John Hoag—Carpenter 461 Greenwich S^t^

V^c^ Walter Welsh Resigned

N° 20

William A Candell William Ludley Alexander H Bunn Resigned.

[72] N° 22

Samuel J Langdon Ship wright 141 Madison S^t^

V^c^ Robert Boyd Resigned

N° 23

Edgar Ryker Harness Maker Cor Vandam & Varick S^t^

V^c^ John Owen Resigned

N° 24.

Moses Hatfield Carpenter 173 Wooster S^t^

V^c^ Loyal F D Anteroches Resigned

John M^c^Brair Merchant 19 Watts S^t^

V^c^ Peter P Davis—Resigned

N° 27

William Hopkins Mason 19 King Street

V^c^ John Coapman Time Expired

N° 31

William S Gridley Mason 60 Thompson S^t^

V^c^ Henry Tucker—Resigned

N° 34

Abraham E Potts Resigned

N° 39

James Garbut—Cabinet Maker 109 Mott S^t^

V^c^ Charles Ellett Resigned

Fire Hook & Ladder C^o^

N° 2

John Owen—Grate Maker 534 Pearl S^t^

V^c^ John H Robins Resigned

Thomas Dennis—Porter New York Hospital

V^c^ James H Patten Resigned

[73] Fire Wardens Co

4th Ward

William F Hopson Hatter 33 Frankfort St

Vc Thomas Webster Time Expired

8th Ward

Jerry Waterberry Merchant Cor Canal & Greenwich Sts

Vc James H Delamater Time expired

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No	1. John Tallman	Owner	No	15 Barclay St	A Privy
	2. M Carr	do		21 Do	Do
	3. Ths Gibson	Do		61 Do	Do
	4. Dd Rogers	Do		62½ Do	Do
	5. Ns Miller	Do		119 Chamber St	Do
	6. Dl W Kissam	Do		123 Do	Do
	7. M Whitechurch	Do		156 Do	Do
	8 Jno McKinley	Do		162 Do	Do
	9. H McInroy	Lessee		15 Church St	Do
	10. E Goodyear	Owner		5 & 7 Cortlandt St	Do
	11. Wm Dodge	do		47 Do	Do
	12. Rd Varick	do		48 Do	Do
	13. E. Manly	Do		7 Dey St	Do
	14. Wm G Forbes	Do		50 Do	Do
	15. J Lawrence	Do		205 Fulton St	Do
	16. [74] Wm Higgins	Lessee		217 Greenwich St	Do
	17. Heirs of G Hyatt	Owners		90 Liberty St	Do
	18. Do	Do		92 Do	Do
	19. A Brower	Do		108 Do	Do
	20. P Hone	Do		112 Do	Do
	21. W Alstyne	Do		115 Do	Do
	22. F Gaybard	Do	No	6 & 8½ Murray St	Do
	23. J. J Cameron	Do		10 Do	Do
	24. M Ogsbury	Do		27 Do	Do
	25. Js Davidson	Do		64 Do	Do
	26. G Taylor Jr	Do		38 & 40 Oliver St	Do
	27. Cs Debaun	Do	No	140 Reed St	Do
	28. M Riker	Do		142 do	Do
	29. J A Westervelt	Do		150 Do	Do
	30. R Wells	Do		152 Do	Do
	31. Fs Kane	Do		156 Do	Do
	32. J Concklin	Do		170 Do	Do
	33. D Phyfe	Do	No	38 Vesey St	Do
	34. J Ovington	Do		39 Do	Do
	35. J L Brower	Do		40 Do	Do

36.	M Allison	Owners	44 Vesey St	A Privy
37.	A Fleming	Do	53 Do	Do
38.	W & J Van Buskirk	Do	59 Do	Do
39.	J Van Winkle	Do	66 Do	Do
40.	Dl E Tylee	Do	80 Do	Do
41.	N W Chevalier	Do	22 Warren St	Do
42.	G Smiley	Do	37. do	Do
43.	[75] J Seguine	Do	50 Do	Do
44.	N Gibert	Do	53 Do	Do
45	J Marander	Do	55 Do	Do
46.	P Antell	Do	56 Do	Do
47.	Heirs of A Jennings	Do	77 Do	Do
48.	P. Pietch	Occupt	83 Do	Do
49.	M D Benjamin	Owner	85 Do	Do
50.	Dl Thomas	Do	89 Do	Do
51.	C Rapp	Do	92 Do	Do
52.	J Cropsy	Do	101 Do	Do
53.	Nl Martin	Occupt	133 Washington St	Do
54.	Pr Martin	Executor	39 Augustus St	Do
55.	Dd Raynor	Lessee	Broadway & 13th Street	A Lot

George Cuming
City Inspector

Which were Passed

Alderman Ireland presented the following preamble and Resolution which were read and referred to a Special Committee consisting of Aldermen Ireland, Lozier, Coe, Randolph & Mr Brown

Whereas the concerns of this Common Council have increased to such magnitude as to become highly interesting to the Citizens generally and especially those who are called upon to contribute to the Public burdens, And whereas incorrect statements may go forth to the Public owing to the Citizens not being [76] permitted to have access to the Minutes of their proceedings and papers submitted to them. Therefore

Resolved that it be referred to a Special Committee to enquire into the propriety of directing the Clerk of this Board to permit the Editors of daily Journals, and such other Citizens as may be interested therein to have access to, and take abstracts from the Minutes of the proceedings of this Common Council, to the end, that when those proceedings are given to the Public they may be given Correctly, And that the said Committee be requested to Report their opinion thereon at the next Meeting of this Board

Alderman Woodruff presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that West street be regulated and paved from Harrison street to Hubert street including the Intersection of the latter.

Alderman Woodruff presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that Orange street be regulated and paved from Prince Street to its Northerly termination.

[77] Mr Brown presented the draft of a Law entitled "A Law to amend the Law entitled "A Law for preventing and extinguishing fires" passed 30th April 1827, Which was read, laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

Upon Motion of Mr Stevens the Report of the Police Committee and of the Committee on the Jail & Bridewell laid on the Table on 17th November was now called up and read as follows.

The Police Committee and the Committee on the Jail and Bridewell to whom had been referred the Presentment of the Grand Jury of October term presented the following Report

The Police Committee and the Committee on the Jail and Bridewell to whom the presentment of the Grand Jury of October term was referred beg leave to

Report.

That they have given the various subjects embraced in the communication referred to their deliberate attention.

Your Committee coincide with the Grand Jury in the opinion they express, that some inferior tribunal is necessary for the trial of persons charged with petty offences. In the manner our criminal jurisprudence is now discharged, persons are not unfrequently imprisoned in Bridewell for a month or six weeks previous to their having an opportunity to be tried; and [78] as these committals are made out on entirely exparte evidence, and as the spirit of revenge sometimes at least induces these complaints it is to be feared that persons who are innocent not unfrequently suffer a long ante-trial imprisonment. And as to persons guilty of petty assaults and misdemeanors, the imprisonment before trial is in many instances disproportionately great in reference to the actual offence.

While your Committee admit the existence of the evil, they are unwilling to recommend the appointment of new judges for the trial of the offences referred to. They remark, that in their opinion the statutes now in force authorize a Court of Special Session for the City of New York to be held by the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen.

For by the act of the 9th of April 1813 relating to the General and Special Sessions of the Peace in the City of New York, it is enacted

that in case persons guilty of the offences referred to, shall not in forty eight hours give bail to appear at the General Session that then the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen or any three of them of whom the Mayor or Recorder shall always be one, may hold a Court of Special Sessions and in a summary way decide on the complaint.

And by the Act of the 13th of April 1813 any three Justices of the Peace in each of the counties excepting New York and Albany have the power [79] to hold a Court of Special Sessions for the trial of minor offences, and the sixth Section of the said Act declares " That the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen of the Cities of New York and Albany, and each of them, shall have the like power in the said Cities as are therein given to Justices of the Peace. Under these Acts the party accused has an election to give bail, and be subject to indictment and trial at the General Sessions, or to be tried in the summary manner referred to. Your Committee are aware, that it may be objected to this Court, that they might try a person unable to give bail for appearance at the General Sessions, and thus deprive him of a trial by jury. Two answers may be given to this objection. The one, that our Statutes have always authorized the trial of petty offences by magistrates, and persons are now daily sentenced for six months, by two magistrates, for mere vagrancy, which is the utmost extent of punishment which the Special Sessions, composed of three judges could inflict. An[d] the other answer to the objection is, that it is not probable, that in case a person committed claimed to be tried by a jury, that the magistrates would insist upon proceeding with his trial in the Special Sessions. The Special Sessions is intended for the benefit of the accused, and is no doubt a very humane provision of our criminal code.

There is therefore in the opinion of your Committee provision already made for the speedy trial of persons charged with petty offences; and the statutes now in force [80] contemplated the application of the Law to the City of New York in the manner recommended by the Grand Jury. The same remedy is applied in the country with beneficial effect. Your Committee know not why these statutes have not been acted on here, their effects would certainly be highly beneficial. And when the Board are informed, that during the last year there were some terms during which Thirty eight individuals were discharged on proclamation without trial, and that during the year Three hundred and thirty one persons were discharged in like manner, there will be little doubt of the propriety of some new arrangement.

The next subject which engaged the attention of your Committee,

was what officer ought to preside over this Court, and they are of opinion, that it is emphatically the duty of the first criminal Judge of the County the Recorder; he would in fact but be performing a part of the duties in the Special Sessions, which he now performs in the General Sessions; and as neither the feature of Indictment nor Jury belong to the Special Sessions, it is conceived that the trials of the accused persons referred to in the Special, would occupy little or no more time of the Recorder than is now occupied by the trial of the same class of persons in the General Sessions; but it ought to be remembered, that many persons are now discharged by proclamation without occupying any persons time, who would be tried by the organization of the Court [81] referred to, so that the time of the presiding Judge would in reality be more occupied in the duties of his Judicial Office than at present—And your Committee are of opinion, that these judicial duties are sufficient and ought to occupy all the time of any individual holding the Office of Recorder.

Your Committee are aware that if the Recorder should be expected or required to give up the performance of the chamber duties of a Judge or Commissioner of the Supreme court, that the Corporation would then have to increase his salary, and this your Committee would have recommended had they supposed the Board would have agreed to it; for the present they therefore propose to see if the Recorder can perform the new duties referred to, and his office bussiness as a Commissioner of the Supreme Court.

The condensed views of the Committee on the above branch of the subjects are embraced in the resolutions they annex.

1. Resolved that the Board consider that the establishment of a Special Sessions as contemplated *for* [by] the statutes for the trial of misdemeanors and petty larceny, and as practised in the country, would be beneficial to the City and they therefore request, that the Recorder organize such Court, and hold the same at least three times a week during the vacations of his Terms of the General Sessions, and at such times during the terms of the General Sessions [82] as his duties therein will permit.

In relation to so much of the presentment of the Grand Jury as refers to the Jail and Bridewell Buildings your Committee remark that the views of a special committee presented in their Report to the Board on the 5th of May last and never acted upon meet the approbation of this Committee and all that the present Committee think necessary further to do on this subject is to offer a resolution for the consideration of the Board.

In relation to the Jail and Bridewell your Committe therefore offer the following Resolution.

2. Resolved That the Bridewell building above the basement story, be prepared for the Debtors Prisoners without unnecessary delay; and that the Jail be torn down, as soon as the Bridewell can be prepared for the reception of the Jail Prisoners, And that the counsel of the Board prepare an Ordinance constituting the above part of the Bridewell a County Jail.

3. Resolved that the Counsel of the Board prepare, and the Mayor execute and forward to the Legislature a Memorial, proposing to make an arrangement or bargain for the whole or a part of the State Arsenal grounds to erect a Jail on.

4. Resolved that a Vehicle be constructed for the use of the Police Department, to transport prisoners to and from the Greenwich Prison and to the Penitentiary.

[83] There are some other subjects embraced in the presentment referred to, among which is the excessive number of retail Groceries in our City and the practice of some of them keeping open all night, affording places of resort to various noisy and intoxicated persons who collect and spend there nights there, disturbing the quiet and good order of the city, which subject deserves the particular attention of the magistrates and your Committee hope they will receive it

All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb
Henry Storms
Isaac Amerman
Thomas T Woodruff

After some discussion the 2d & 4th Resolutions were adopted—The remainder of the Report and Resolutions were laid for further consideration.

The Comptroller presented the following Report.

Balance as per Actt 17 Novr	475.63
Recd for Streets	24.390.38
" " Tax of 1828	23.800.
" " Rents	8.010.65
" " Auction fees	5000.
" " [84] Commutation Alien Passengers	1087.50
" " Police Office	1000.77
" " Fines of Attorney	474.31

Recd for Justices Courts	442.83
" " Dist Attorneys fees	65.49
" " Mayoralty fees	57.
" " Markets	49.75
	$64.854.31

89 Accounts Audited and ordered to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Hibberd Do 2 "	945.
Stagg & Herring Do 3 "	945.
T. J Waters Clerk Comptrollers Office 1 Qr Salary 24 Novr	250.
Geo: Cuming City Inspector 1 Qr " 1 Decr	200.
O Ayres Asst do 1 Mo "	56.25
J Coffin do " "	56.25
Astin & Higbie Asst Keepers City Hall " "	75.
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield " "	67.50
C Gilman Keeper of Battery " "	37.50
A McCready Keeper of Park " "	37.50
J. J Shoemaker Street Inspector 1 Ward 1 Mo 1 Decr	45.
T Woolcocks do 2d " "	45.
J. B Ebbetts Do 3 " "	45.
N B Lyon do 4 " "	45.
I A Isaacs Do 5 " "	45.
S Waddell Do 6 " "	45.
[85] B Fuller do 7 " 1 Inst	45.
W. G. Babb do 8 " "	45.
H Mott do 9 " "	45.
T Austin Do 10 " "	45.
H Keyser Do 11 " "	45.
D Hubberd Do 13 " "	45.
B OConner Do 14 " "	45.
John E Rich Sunday service 5 Ward 31 days to 1 Novr	46.50
S Fleet do 14 Ward 26 days to 24 Novr	39.
Elisha Kingsland do 25 days to 1 Novr	37.50
A Van Orden Junr Do 3d Ward 25 days to 1 Novr	37.50
J. Gilbert Clerk 3 Markets 1 Mo 1 Der	64.
J Bremner " Catharine " "	60.
G Duryea " Fulton " "	41.67
I Asten Sweeper do " "	46.19
R Smith Clerk Franklin " "	41.25
J Seaman Do Manhattan " "	30.
A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 30 Nor	132.12
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health 1 Mo 1 Decr	50.
A Parker Do " "	50.
J Coffin Asst City Inspectr removing Nuisances " " bal	10.67
Estate of John Montgomery Stationary 1 Qr 1 Novr	76.63
Saml Judd 20 Casks Oil	1016.60

G Snethen lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 Decr..... 1638.90
R Provoost repairs Gas Lamps &c 1 Mo 1 Decr..... 427.50
J Hays for Officers Extra Service Police 1 Qr 26 Novr.... 370.41
[86] J Hays for officers conveys Prisoners to City Prison 1 Qr 1 Novr 296.50
J Hays do do to Penitentiary 1 Qr 26 Novr..... 3.50
D T Valentine Marshall Marine Court 1 Mo 1 Decr..... 31.25
Wm Scott cleaning rubbish from Piers 28 & 29 North River 17.50
John Pollock filling 8 Lots on 5 Avenue & 4 Lots on 12 Street Heirs of T A Emmet Lien..... 1609.80
Anderson & Raymond Costs of suit Cor Broadway & Liberty St 112.45
M Ulshoeffer Attys Costs &c opening 5th Avenue fm 90th to 106th St..... 502.99
M Ulshoeffer do widng Madison fm Pike to Clinton St 487.96
S Fargay Acct reg & pav Front fm Moore to Whitehall St. 117.01
P Smith Actt reg & pav Scammel fm Grand to Lombardy St..... 200.
S Fargay Act. repavg Water fm Wall Street to Old Slip... 200.
S Fargay Actt reg & pav Broome fm Mangin St to Bulkhead ..... 300.
T Cummings Actt reg & pav Herring fm Christopher to Amos St ..... 340.
P. Smith Actt pav Houston fm Elizabeth to Crosby St..... 350.
P Smith Actt reg & pav Water fm Market to Rutgers St... 400.
O Smith Actt reg & pav West fm Duane to Harrison St... 450.
R Pettigrew Actt reg & pav Henry fm Oliver to Rutgers St 500.
S Fargay Actt pav 2d Avenue from 1st to 5th Street..... 1500.
T Cumings Actt pav Greenwich Lane fm 6th Avenue to 13th St..... 2000.
O McCabe Actt reg & pav Avenue D from North to near 8th St ..... 2500.
Woodruff & Barnes 2d payt Carpenters Work Canal St Market 2475.
R Brant 2d payt Mason Work Do 2575.
H Cochran bal reg & pav Christr & West St at Greenwich Prison Corptn part..... 1148.90
Stephen Allen for Map of Greenwich Prison Ground & Buildings ..... 20.
D Harron for Well Laight near Washington St..... 30.
J McBarren 1s payt Well Troy near Assylum St..... 35.75
[87] T Gillen bal Well Henry betwn Cath & Market Sts... 36.12
R Graves St Comr Actt repairs Lands & Places..... 509.
H Smith 740 Loads earth under New Market foot of Grand St..... 74.
Mary Robinson Lancaster Donation of Joseph Lancaster Ordered 17 Novr..... 500.

Geo Curtis for Inspectors & Clerks Election			1st	Ward....	132.	
Elias H Ely	Do	"	2d	....	79.50	
Richd Hatfield	Do	"	3d	....	102.	
L Seymour	Do	"	4th	....	88.75	
G Tucker	Do	"	5th	....	120.	
S Parker	Do	"	6	....	91.	
A Dally	Do	"	7	....	108.	
A B Vanderpool	Do	"	8	....	111.	
S M Thompson	Do	"	9	....	103.	
S Purdy	Do	"	10	....	105.	
Wm Thompson	Do	"	11	....	90.	
Wm A Davis	Do	"	12	....	75.	
J Hatfield	Do	"	13	....	79.13	
A W Turnbull	Do	"	14	....	90.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House.....					5000.	
J Fleming Treasr to pay Interest City Stock 1 Qr 1 Novr balance					14500.	49.045.55
					Balance	$15.808.76

Upon Motion the Board adjourned to meet on Monday next at 5 OClock P M.

[88] In Common Council December 8th 1828 Adjourned Meeting

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
William W Mott	Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland	Jacob Wyckoff
Anthony Lamb	Samuel Stevens
John Lozier	Isaac Brown
William S Coe	John Shepherd Junr
Stuart F Randolph	William Seaman
John R Peters	John F Sibell
Gideon Ostrander	Isaac Amerman
Lemuel Pittman	Bernard J Meserole
Abraham M Valentine	Henry B Bolster
Thomas T Woodruff	Wm James Macneven

The Board met agreeably to adjournment

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Elijah Valentine for permission to erect an Iron railing at the Gable [89] end of his House corner of Cross and Mulberry streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 6th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of John Anderson praying to be appointed Inspector of

Repairs of Wharves was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of William F Baker praying to have an Error in his Assessment corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Elliot Driggs for the appointment of driver to the Vehicle which is to convey Criminals from the City Hall to Bellevue & Greenwich Prisons was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to Office.

A Petition of Moses H Wilder stating that he is the Lessee of the School Room over the Watch House corner of Prince & Wooster streets, that he has been deprived of the free use of the premises and solicits some relief was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of Francis Panton and others against widening Ann street from Broadway to William street was read and laid on the Table.

[90] A Petition of Samuel Ackerly to Lease a Lot of Common Lands on the 5th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Crowell Weighmaster of Hay at the foot of Christopher Street praying to have the exclusive right of the Pier at the said place for the accommodation of Hay Vessels was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Petition of the President and Secretary of the Northern Dispensary praying for a Donation from the Public funds proportioned to the Annual Donation to the Old Dispensary was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of J Goodheart for transfer of Stall N° 12 Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Communication was received from Jameson Cox Esquire Chief Engineer on several subjects interesting to the Fire Department which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department—Mr Cox also in his communication stated that on Account of the injury which his [91] services in the station of Chief Engineer occasioned to his health, he was under the necessity of resigning the Office, Which he begged leave to do, with his sincere acknowledgments to the Common Council for their uniform Kindness to him, and for the support rendered to him in the discharge of his duties—The same being read, the consideration of the Resignation of Mr Cox was postponed for the present.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to regulate 3d Street from Lewis to Goerck street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to regulate 3d Street from Lewis street to Goerck street. Respectfully

Report

That in order to complete the regulating of the Street in question it is expedient to grant the prayer of the Petition—They offer the following resolution

Resolved that third Street be filled up and regulated from Lewis street to the Bulkhead at Goerck Street

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[92] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 17th Street regulated from 6th Avenue to the Hudson River presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to regulate 17th Street from the 6th Avenue to the Hudson River

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the regulation of the Street referred to in the Petition is much wanted being necessary in order to discharge the waters into the Hudson River, and that the prayer of the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted—And therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Seventeenth street be pitched and regulated from the 6th Avenue to the Hudson River

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving Orange street to its Northerly termination presented the following Report in favor of the same.

[93] The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed

Resolution to regulate and pave Orange street from Prince Street to its Northerly termination.

Respectfully Report

That it is highly expedient that part of Orange street should be regulated and paved, And accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Orange street be regulated and paved from Prince street to its Northerly termination.

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of widening and improving Ann street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of widening and improving Ann street respectfully Report

That they have given it their deliberate consideration and are of the opinion that the widening of that street is necessary and proper particularly that part of it lying betwen Nassau street and Broadway and which your Committee recommend should be made of the breadth of Forty feet on lines as shown [94] in red, on a Map or diagram thereof and herewith presented.

Your Committee believe that the expense of such improvement would be small as there is but one building of much value required to be taken, and that the property in the neighbourhood will be materially enhanced in value, by carrying into effect the widening of the Street as contemplated; With this view of the subject your Committee ask leave to offer the following Resolutions.

1. Resolved that Ann street be widened between Broadway and Nassau street to the extent of Forty feet according to the red lines drawn on the Map or diagram, herewith presented.

2. Resolved that the Counsel to this Board be instructed to take the necessary measures to carry into effect the preceding Resolution.

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Merrit H Smith Preacher of the Gospel to be relieved from the payment [95] of part of his Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Merritt H Smith praying to be relieved from a part of his Tax on account of his Ministerial Privileges Beg leave to

Report.

That the Committee have examined into the claims set forth by the Petitioner and are fully satisfied according to an Act of the Legislature granting privileges to Ministers of the Gospel or Priests of any denomination that a Reduction of fifteen hundred dollars be made out of the Three thousand dollars now charged on the Tax Books for the House & Lot N° Ninety Division street now occupied by the Petitioner—Your Committee Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted and a Reduction of Fifteen hundred dollars be made which your Committee think is just and Equitable all of which is Respectfully submitted

Annexed is a Certificate of the Assessors shewing that they did not take into consideration the Privileges that the Petitioner is entitled to according to Law.

Bernard J Meserole
H. B Bolster
Isaac Amerman
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[96] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of E Lawrence, J D Percy, George Shafer & Caleb *Vradenburgh* [Vandenburgh] for Butchers Stalls in the Essex Market presented the following Report against the same.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions of Enoch Lawrence, John D Percy, George Shafer and Caleb Vandenburgh for Butchers Stalls in the Essex Market, And the Remonstrance of sundry Butchers against the Grant of any more Stalls in said Market Respectfully

Report

That in the opinion of the Committee there are a sufficient number of Stalls already in the said Market, They therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Hackel for Butchers License for Stall N° 47 Fulton Market presented [97] the following Report in favor of the same

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of William Heckle for a Butchers License for Stall N° 47 Fulton Market now occupied by William J Boice Respectfully Report

That the Petitioner is well recommended the Committee are therefore of opinion that the Common Council ought to pass the following Resolution which is offered for consideration.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted

Anthony Lamb
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Butchers & Hucksters to allow them to stand at the corner of 2^{d} Street and the Bowery until a new Market is built presented the following Report against the same.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions to allow certain Butchers and owners of Vegatable Stands, now at the corner of Second street and the Bowery to remain there until a New Market shall be built by the Corporation in the vicinity, in [98] contravention of the Ordinance of the 22^{d} day of September last extending the Market Limits

Respectfully Report

That it is their opinion that the prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted

Anthony Lamb
Ab^{m} M Valentine
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens

Which was adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of George Zabriskie & others for a Well & Pump in Watts street near Washington street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Fifth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition of George Zabriskie and others for a Well and Pump in Watts street near the Corner of Washington Street

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion a Well is wanted at that place, they therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

[99] Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners be Granted.

Anthony Lamb
John Shepherd Junr
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman & Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to [whom] was referred the Petition of James Weeden and others for a Well & Pump at the corner of 2d Avenue & 2d Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman & Assistant of the Eleventh Ward and the Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of James Weeden and others for a Well and Pump, at the corner of the 2d Avenue and 2d Street

Respectfully Report.

That from the increase of buildings in that neighbourhood, it is desirable, to locate a Well and Pump, there as a necessary accommodation to the persons dwelling in that vicinity and accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well and Pump be placed near the intersection of Second street and the Second Avenue

H B Bolster
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[100] The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Petitions and Remonstrances relative to the Inspection of Lime presented a Report accompanied with the draft of a Law, which were read —Laid on the Table—And the Law directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the subject of increasing the Salary of the Assistant Street Commissioner presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the annexed Resolution

Respectfully Report

That they are fully of opinion that the Salary of the Assistant Street Commissioner is inadequate to the increasing duties which appertain to the Office

When this gentlemans Salary was fixed at $1500 the bussiness in that Department was not so great as it is at present. There was sufficient leisure at that time for him to attend to other duties, which served to enhance his yearly income But the case at present is otherwise, the increased and increasing detail of Public bussiness and which appears to be widely extended constantly and unremittingly demands and your Committee are satisfied receives his undivided time and attention.

[101] Under those circumstances deprived as he must necessarily be of those resources which formerly his industry entitled him to, when the labour of his Public duties had ceased for the day.

Your Committee believe his case is entitled to consideration, they therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Salary of the Assistant Street Commissioner be increased to 2000 Dollars

Respectfully submitted
J. F Sibell
William S Coe
John Lozier

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Counsel presented the followin[g] Report and a Lease to Charles Mowatt for a Lot of Land on the North side of Water street

The Counsel herewith presents for execution a Lease to Charles Mowatt for one year of a Lot of land on the North side of Water street assessed as belonging to Robert Macomb Sold for Non payment of an Assessment for paving Water street on the 22^{d} day of November 1826 The time for redemption having expired this Lease is made out to the purchaser according to Law under the directions of the Street Commissioner

Respectfully Submitted
M Ulshoeffer

[102] Which was read—Whereupon the Lease was directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Street Commissioner presented a Report relative to widening of Madison street, stating that a Mr Armstrong owner of House corner of Pike and Madison street, refuses to remove the same in compliance with the order of the Board—Whereupon the Superintendant of Repairs was directed to remove the said House from Off the Street.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for repaving Nassau street from Cedar street to Maiden Lane which was confirmed and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well & Pump in Second street near the Second Avenue and Abraham Bloodgood Peter Pinckney and Thomas Herring appointed Assessors.

For a Well and Pump in Watts street near Washington street and Abraham Dally David Lyon & Samuel Purdy appointed Assessors.

[103] For a Well & Pump near the intersection of Barrow street and Fifth street and Peter Stagg, James Fairlie & Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors.

For regulating and paving Orange street from Prince street to its Northerly termination and John Slidell Thomas R Smith and Cornelius Harsen were appointed Assessors.

For regulating Seventeenth street from the Sixth Avenue to the Hudson River and Pine Hopkins Joseph D Palmer & George C Hathorn were appointed Assessors.

For regulating Third street from Lewis street to Goerck street and Henry Ritter Everardus Warner & Gabriel Van Cott were appointed Assessors.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances.

No 1.	T Hedges	Owner	No 76 Harman St	A Lot
2.	Wm B Crosby	do	Madison St	do
3	J. G Coster	President	Greene St	Do
4.	J Shepard	Owner	Norfolk St	Do
5.	[104] Rt Tilletson	do	Rivington St	Do

Geo: Cuming
City Inspector

Which were Passed.

Mr Stevens presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Special Committee on the Application of the Gov-

ernor of New Jersey be authorised to expend $150 in procuring the information asked for.

On Motion of Mr Brown the Law to amend the Fire Law laid on the Table at the last Meeting was called up read and passed under the Title of " A Law to amend the Law entitled a Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires."

Mr Stevens moved that the part of the Report of the Committees on Police and on Jail & Bridewell upon the presentment of the Grand Jury in relation to the establishment of an Inferior Tribunal for the Trial of persons charged with petty Offences and which was laid for further consideration at the last Meeting of the Board be now called up—After some discussion the [105] Question was taken on Mr Stevens motion, and it passed in the Negative—Mr Stevens then moved that it be made the order of the day at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr Amerman presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Finance to Report on the expediency of disposing by sale or otherwise of such part of the Public ground at Greenwich lately purchased of the State as may not be required for the purpose of a Prison.

Alderman Peters presented the following Preamble and Resolutions which were laid on the Table and directed to be printed.

Whereas our present form of City Government which originated in the year 1686 is materially defective being composed of one Board without any check; possessing very extensive powers over the rights of persons and property highly important appointing powers, and dispensing annually large amounts of public moneys, without proper accountabilities.

And whereas the Rapid increase of our population which is now about 200,000 and the sure indications of a continued extension of population and wealth, [106] have extended the Public concerns and expenditures until they are at present equal to those of some of the larger States.

And whereas the Municipal Government of the City ought to be so constituted as to enable its members by discreet Legislation and through efficient and responsible executive departments to conduct its public concerns on a scale corresponding with the wealth population individual enterprise and economy of the Citizens—Therefore Resolved that it be referred to a Special Committee to Report upon the expediency of recommending the Election by the Wards of a City convention, or of appointing competent Citizens for the respective Wards to

compose a Board of Revisors, who may be required to devote the requisite time to cautiously consider and recommend necessary alterations in the organization of the Common Council, especially to impose a plan of creating responsible departments to transact the executive bussiness and of fixing a check upon the Legislative proceedings and of lessening the appointing Power, by making the Mayor and some other important Officers elective by the People.

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was referred to [107] the Street Committee

Resolved that West street be regulated and paved from Hubert street to Hoboken street.

Alderman Lamb at the request of the Market Committee presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Market now building between Canal, Washington & Spring streets in the Eighth Ward be called and Known by the name of Clinton Market.

Alderman Coe moved that the Board now take into consideration the Resignation of Jameson Cox as Chief Engineer, which was agreed to

It was then moved that the resignation be accepted, which was agreed to.

Mr Stevens then moved that the thanks of this Common Council be presented to Mr Cox for the fidelity and Intelligence with which he has discharged the duties of his Office—The Question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative Unanimously.

Petitions were received from Philip W Engs, Samuel J Willis and Uzziah Wenman offering themselves as Candidates for the Office of Chief Engineer which were read.

[108] Upon Motion the Board proceeded to Ballot for a person to fill that Office when upon the 4th Ballot it appeared on counting the Ballots that Uzziah Wenman had a Majority of the votes of the Members present and was declared duly elected—And it was Resolved that Uzziah Wenman be and he is hereby appointed Chief Engineer.

Board adjourned to Monday next the 15th Instant a[t] 5 OClock P M

[109] In Common Council December 15th 1828

Present The Honbl William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Junr
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Effingham Schieffelin	Henry Storms
Abraham M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	William Jas Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Joseph P. Tyler for Office of Clerk of the Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[110] A Petition of the Butchers of Centre Market against the erection of a Market at the corner of the Bowery and Second street was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Christopher Milderberger and others praying that the Water may be taken from off their grounds was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Mott Hicks to be appointed to the Office of Clerk of the Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Richard Ward to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Jacob B Wade to be appointed driver of the vehicle which is to convey the criminals from the Bridewell &c was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Thomas C Taylor for permission to let his House in 14th Street remain until he can get the dirt removed was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[111] A Memorial of Marinus Willett & others praying to have the Assessment for building a Wharf across Delancy street Extended was read and referred back to the Assessors who made the Assessment

A Petition of Joseph Pilkington for permission to let a fence remain in front of his House No 129 Orchard street having erected the same

in ignora[n]ce of the Law was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of J Cram for permission to lay a drain or Sewer in Wooster street near Canal street for the purpose of carrying the Water off from his Distillery into the sewer in Canal street was read and referred to the Canal Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Evans praying to be relieved from an erroneous Assessment on his personal property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of William Gibbons praying for leave to build a Cistern in front of his House in Washington street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the First Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition of a number of persons to have Fitzroy road paved from Thirteenth street to [112] Hudson street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Jacob B Taylor and others for a Well and Pump in Jane Street near Greenwich Lane was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of William Paulding for permission to erect an Iron Railing at the West end of his House situated at the corner of Washington and Jay street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of William Crosson stating that he has been called upon to pay Assessments which are not lawfully due on his property in North & Willet Streets and praying the Board to investigate the subject was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Communication was received from George Wilson Esqr stating that the Account of Jordan Mott for regulating winding &c of the Clock in the Mayors Office amounting to $269.$^{83}/_{100}$ was placed in his hands for Collection and requesting the Common Council to order its adjustment, Which was read and referred to the Counsel of the Board to Report on.

[113] A Petition of Roelef Schenck praying to be appointed Clerk of the Grand street Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Philip Rhinelander praying for a remission of Tax requested to be discharged from the further consideration of said Petition—Whereupon the request was granted and the Petition was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Northern Dispensary for a Donation from the Common Council presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of the Northern Dispensary a useful institution in the upper part of the City to provide Medicine and attendance to the poor—This Institution is duly incorporated, and was established from the necessity of the case, the poor in that part of the Town being too remote from the Old Dispensary to apply for relief there. The old institution for many years has received a donation annually of 500 Dollars and 600 dollars the last year—Your Committee cannot under the circumstances hesitate to recommend that the new Institution should be put [114] on the same footing with the old, having reference to the comparative numbers relieved by each.

On this principle Your Committee think that a Donation of $200 ought to be given to the petitioners 1374 Patients have been relieved in this institution during the past year, as appears by the printed annual Report of the Directors.

The following Resolution is therefore submitted.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of James N Wells the Treasurer of this Institution for the said sum of $200,

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
William H Ireland
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Cummings contractor for monies due him for paving Hubert street and regulating the 5th Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Thomas Cummings, contractor for flagging the side walks of Hubert [115] Street and for regulating the 5th Avenue—It appears that $442,12/100 is due on the former and 1400 dollars on the latter contract, which the Petitioner wishes to have paid to him—This request your Committee deem to be reasonable, and they therefore offer the

following Resolution—Resolved, that the Street Commissioner apply for Warrants to pay the balances due to the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
William H Ireland
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Scott and Francis Fickett for an apportionment of an Assessment for opening 3d & 4th Streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Scott & Francis Fickett, for an apportionment of a certain Assessment for opening 3d & 4th Streets among the different individuals owning the property referred to in said Petition—Your Committee consider it [116] reasonable that the assessments should be apportioned, so that the several owners may pay their respective proportions; And they therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner report a Resolution making the necessary apportionment of this Assessment.

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
William H Ireland
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jane Sloan for a Balance due her late Husband on contract presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Mrs Jane Sloan, It appears that her hubsand contracted to regulate and fill Greenwich Lane from the 6th Avenue to 13th Street and that the contract is completed, but that the contractor John Sloan is dead, The Petitioner is the executrix of her husbands estate, and wishes the balance due on the contract to be paid to her—This your [117] Com-

mittee consider to be reasonable, and they therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner apply for a Warrant to pay the balance due on the above contract

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
William H Ireland
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Francis Fickett and others for a postponement of the Assessment for filling up 5th Street presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of Francis Fickett & others, who pray to have the assessment for filling up 5th Street postponed—Your Committee think that the Assessment ought not to be delayed as the contract is very large, the work is completed opposite to the Petitioners land, And the contractor ought not to be delayed in the receipt of his money Under these circumstances the following Resolution [118] is offered.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
Stuart F Randolph
William H Ireland
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jared Goodheart for a Butchers Licence for Stall N° 12 Greenwich Market presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Market Committee on the annexed petition of Jared Goodheart for a Butchers Licence for Stall N° 12 Greenwich Market now in the possession of Joshua C Angevine Respectfully

Report

That the Petitioner is well recommended and the transfer of said Stall is regular they therefore propose for the consideration of the Board *the Board* the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted

Anthony Lamb
[119] W Seaman
Ab[m] M Valentine
Stuart F Randolph
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of James W Otis to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Assessment p[r]esented the following Report

The Committee on Assessments to whom was refered the annexed Petition of James W Otis

Report

That it appears by the annexed affidavit of M[r] Otis and by the Certificates of the two Assessors of the Ward, that M[r] Otis was a stranger in the City and removed into the Third Ward in May last and that he and his family were absent during most of the Summer, and that he was ignorant of the Laws and Customs of our City in relation to Taxes and that the first information he had respecting them was from the call of the Collector—M[r] Otis is assessed at $15,000 personal property, he makes Oath that his personal property does not exceed $10,000—Your Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Petitioners Tax be reduced [120] to the Amount which ought to be Assessed on $10,000, All which is submitted

B. J Meserole
H. B Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John C Hamilton to be relieved from the payment of part of his personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Peti-

tion of John C Hamilton praying to be relieved from a part of his personal Tax beg leave to Report.

That your Committee have fully Investigated the Claims set forth by the Petitioner and inasmuch as he has complied with the Rule prescribed by the Board in respect to Relief in cases of Assessments Your Committee are fully satisfied that a Reduction from $15,000 to $2,000 on his Personal Tax had ought to be granted, for further information your Committee refer the Board to a Certificate of his attending Physician and also a Certificate of the [121] Assessors—They therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted and a Reduction from $15,000 to $2,000 be made and that the Comptroller be directed to issue his Warrant in favor of the Petitioner for the amount claimed All of which is Respectfully submitted.

Bernard J Meserole
H. B Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William F Baker to be relieved from an erroneous Assessment presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William F Baker to be Relieved from an Error in Assessment.

Beg leave to Report

That your Committee are fully satisfied that the claims of the Petitioner are just, and that the Assessors are evidently in an Error as will be seen by a reference to their Certificate hereunto annexed—Your Committee are of the opinion that a Reduction from Sixty one Thousand to Six thousand one hundred had ought [122] to be granted—The[y] Respectfully offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Reduction from Sixty one thousand to Six thousand one hundred be granted all of which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Cleaning Streets presented a Report on the Accounts of the Superintendant of cleaning Streets &c which was read as follows.

The Committee on cleaning Streets

Report

That they have examined the Books and accounts of the Superintendant for the quarter ending 1st Novr last, a statement of which is hereunto annexed leaving a Balance in favor of the Common Council of $58,$^{5}/_{100}$ a statement much more favourable than was anticipated by your Committee.

Your Committee beg leave to state that the Superintendant has in his care 20 Horses and Carts belonging to the Corporation which are [123] employed in Keeping the Streets clean and it necessarily follows that they are unemployed a number of days during the year in consequence of stormy weather and various other causes.

The greatest number of days that each Horse works in a year is 240 allowing 13/ per day the same as is now paid for hired ones would amount to $390, But the Horses being unemployed at least 125 days in the year will necessarily augment the expences to at least $40, more than the hired ones, independant of the risk and other incidents attending such an establishment

Your Committee would therefore suggest the propriety of disposing of 13 of the Horses & Carts retaining a number only sufficient to be used as Ash & Bell Carts.

Your Committee have been induced to offer their views on the subject in order that the Common Council may give the subject a proper consideration.

The Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Accounts be filed and the Reports and Accounts be printed for the use of the Members.

Gideon Ostrander
H. B. Bolster
James Palmer
[124] Edmund Smith
Abm M Valentine

Which was read directed to be filed and to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Communication from the Chief Engineer presented a Report which

was read, laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

Alderman Valentine presented a Resolution relative to the above subject which was also directed to be printed for the use of Members.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition for an addition to the middle Pier in Gouverneur Slip presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the annexed Petition of sundry persons residents in the vicinity of Gouverneur Slip praying for the extension of the Middle Pier in the said Slip as a necessary accommodation to the Hay Boats which frequent there

Respectfully Report

That Gouverneur Slip is the only place on the East River appropriated for the sale of Hay [125] and the present accommodations in that Slip are not by any means sufficient for the number of Sloops which must come into it for the Sale and delivery of their hay, the middle pier containing length sufficient for one Boat, by which means detention and delay are caused, not only to the persons who bring the article there, but also to those who residing in the eastern section of the City depend on receiving their supplies of hay, from that Slip—Your Committee are of opinion that an additional block and bridge to the middle pier of Gouverneur Slip, would add materially to the necessary accommodations, there required, and are in truth called for by the exigencies of the case, and therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Block and Bridge be sunk and built in Gouverneurs Slip in extension of the Middle Pier at present in that Slip

Respectfully submitted

John R Peters
John Shepherd Jr
Isaac Brown
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Counsel presented an Answer to a Bill in Chancery filed by George W Murray in r[e]lation to an Assessment for opening 12th Street—Whereupon [126] the same was directed to be duly authenticated during the recess of the Board.

The Counsel presented a Lease for a Lot sold for an Assessment to Asa Holden situated on the West side of Mulberry street between

Houston and Columbia streets for Four years—Whereupon the same was directed to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Street Commissioner presented the following Returns of Delinquents on Assessments which were read Viz[t]

For opening Minetto Street,

Also for opening Twentieth Street from 3[d] Avenue to the Bloomindale Road—Whereupon Warrants were ordered to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Returns of Delinquents on sundry Assessments

For regulating 2[d] Street from the Bowery to Avenue D

For widening Madison street from Pike to Clinton street.

For opening Jane street between Greenwich street and the Hudson River.

For opening 14[th] Street from the Bowery to the East River.

For regulating and paving Sullivan street from [127] Bleecker to Amity Street.

For regulating and paving Green street from Bleecker to 4[th] Street

And for a Well & Pump in Orange street between Broome & Spring Street

Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz.

For regulating 5[th] Street from Avenue C to Mangin street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For regulating 4[th] Street from Avenue D to *to* 100 feet East of Lewis street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For repaving Reed street from Broadway to Washington street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For a Well and Pump in Laight street near Washington street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For a Well and Pump in the Bowery [128] near Hester street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were accepted, and Appointments made Viz[t]

Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 1

Marceillien Gauffreau Grocer 63 Grand S[t]

V[c] Horatio G. Carry—Resigned

N° 4

Charles Southwick Accountant 22 Watts S^t^
V^c^ James C Alcock Resigned

N° 9

John Ferry } Resigned
Edward Watson }

N° 10

Daniel Morton—Tobacconist 325 Broome S^t^
V^c^ John Flandreau Resigned

N° 16

Purdy Williams Carpenter 14 Provoost S^t^
V^c^ Joseph Bradshaw Resigned

Oliver Osborn
Edward F Randolph
Martin Fredericks
Samuel Thatcher
Robert Castle
Andrew Titus
} Resigned

[129] N° 22.

James Oakley—Grocer Hester cor Allen S^t^
V^c^ Peter M^c^Namara—Resigned

N° 23.

Edward C Patterson Clerk 206 Duane Street
V^c^ Frederick W Leeds—Exempt on account of Ill health
Edward F Randolph Clerk Warren & Chappel S^t^
V^c^ Frederick G Sprigg—Resigned
Richard Ackerman Resigned

N° 36

Thomas West—Carpenter Cor Christopher & Greenwich S^t^
V^c^ William L Woodruff Resigned
Joseph Perkins Carpenter 71 Charlton S^t^
V^c^ George A Harriott—Resigned

N° 39

William A Dobson Cooper 16 Barclay S^t^
V^c^ S. P. Dennison—Resigned
Bartholomew Post—Druggist 158 Greenwich S^t^
V^c^ Samuel Folwell Resigned
George D Blackford Sail Maker 63 Roosevelt S^t^
V^c^ William Gardner Resigned

N° 40.

Christian Stamler Wheelwright 210 Bowery
V^c Benjamin Sutton Time expired

Supply Fire Engine C° N° 1

Samson C Tilley Grocer 60 Market S^t
V^c John L Earle Time expired

[130] Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 1

William W Crane Accountant Stone S^t
V^c D W Thompson Resigned

N° 4.

John Carr—Rigger 13½ Bayard S^t
V^c William Anderson Resigned

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz^t

N° 1.	J Purdy	owner	N° 74	Chambers S^t		A privy
2.	R Sealy	Lessee	122	D°		D°
3.	R^t Lenox	owner	134	D°		D°
4.	G. Bain	D°	148	D°		D°
5.	C H Hall	Lessee	152	D°		D°
6.	Ch^s McEvers	owner	154	D°		D°
7.	Sarah Fraser	D°	N° 3	Chapel S^t		D°
8.	E Fountain	D°	5	D°		D°
9.	D Brant	Occup^t	6	D°		D°
10.	F Baker	owner	7	D°		D°
11.	J Borden	Occup^t	8	D°		D°
12.	R J Bush	Lessee	9	D°		D°
13.	W Dusenberry	D°	11	D°		D°
14.	J^s Hope	D°	13	D°		D°
15	D°	D°	15	D°		D°
16	[131] A Fountain	D°	17	D°		D°
17.	J Hopper	owner	18	D°		D°
18.	Js Hope	Lessee	19	D°		D°
19.	J Hopper	owner	20	D°		D°
20.	J Hope	Lessee	23	D°		D°
21.	S Paret	D°	25	D°		D°
22.	J McMullen	D°	27	D°		D°
23	R^t Lenox	owner	33	D°		D°
24.	E Glover	D°	47	D°		D°
25	G. H Britten	Lessee	112	D°		D°

26.	J Brown	Owner	No 8	Church St	A privy
27.	T. Quin	Do	30	Do	Do
28.	J Robinson	Do	61	Do	Do
29.	B Stewart	Do	62	Do	Do
30.	A Boyer	Do	63	Do	Do
31.	B Brinkerhoff	Do	90	Do	Do
32.	Do	Do	92	Do	Do
33.	Wm Dean	Occupt	61	Elm St	Do
34.	J McIntire	owner	287	Greenwich St	Do
35.	J McArthur	Do	291	Do	Do
36	J McMullen	Do	294	Do	Do
37.	J. Coles	Occupt	112	Leonard St	Do
38.	D Graham	owner	66	Murray St	Do
39.	W M Closkey	Occupt	86	Murray St	Do
40.	J V Groshon	owner	60	Reed St	Do
41.	J Votee	Do	68	Do	Do
42.	J Skinner	Do	78	Do	Do
43.	[132] E Hart	Do	80	Do	Do
44.	do	Do	82	Do	Do
45.	J Waddington	Do	83	Do	Do
46.	B. P. Westervelt	Do	93	Do	Do
47.	J D Jaques	Do	98	Do	Do
48	N Handford	Do	101	Do	Do
49.	W Armstrong	Do	102	Do	Do
50.	Ts Griffen	Do	106	Do	Do
51.	W Milner	Occupt	107	Do	Do
52.	L Grillet	Do	108	Do	Do
53.	C Myers	Do	110	Do	Do
54.	S Jackson	Do	111	Do	Do
55.	B Bailey	owner	114	Do	Do
56.	G Prye	Do	134	Do	Do
57	J Scott	Do	135	Do	Do
58.	J D Westervelt	Do	136	Do	Do
59.	H Beekman	Do	137	Do	Do
60.	L Van Buskirk	Do	138	Do	Do
61.	L Hendrickson	Do	139	Do	Do
62	S Lawrence	Do	141	Do	Do
63.	J W Jennings	Do	149	Do	Do
64.	J McMullen	Do	157	Do	Do
65.	J Shatzel	Do	63	Warren St	Do
66.	J G Bogart	Do	71	Do	Do
67.	L Deklyn	Do		Jane St	A Lot

George Cuming City Inspectr

Which were passed

[133] The Report of the Market Committee on the Petition to erect a Market near the intersection of the Bowery and the Third Avenue presented on the 1st December Inst and laid for consideration was now called up and read as follows.

The Market Committee on the annexed Petitions to have a Market created near the intersection of the Bowery Road and the Third Avenue

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee a Market is much wanted in that vicinity, and they have been for some time in search of a proper site for the purpose, they have at length fixed upon one which in their opinion combines more advantages than any other in the neighbourhood.

It is situated on the East side of the Third Avenue nearly opposite to its intersection with the Bowery Road, and is bounded in front by the Avenue on the North by Seventh and on the South by Sixth street. It comprises eight Lots of twenty two feet eight inches each making a front on the Third Avenue of 181 feet 8 Inches by 100 feet in depth along Sixth and Seventh Streets.

Mr Hall to whom this property belongs offers to sell it to the Corporation for $2,500 per Lot making an aggregate sum of $20,000 Should the Corporation purchase it, he will cede to them a Street of Forty feet wide in the rear running from Sixth to Seventh streets [134] he will also cede to them so much of the triangular piece of ground between the Third Avenue and the Bowery Road (lying directly opposite to their Lots) as belongs to him, which is the whole of the said triangle with the exception of one Lot of 50 feet in breadth on the Third Avenue, the same to be kept open as a Public square for ever.

On the Lots which Mr Hall proposes to sell there is a Lease granted by him which has 23 years to run, for a piece of land containing about square feet, to which it is to be subject, this however lies in such a position, as that it would not interfere with the immediate erection of a Market, nor would its use be required for many years to come

The triangular piece of ground between the Third Avenue and the Bowery is also subject to Leases now running on it.

The site above mentioned is situated opposite two great leading Avenues to the City, and as it is probable that this Market will be principally supplied by country Waggons the square opposite to it will afford greater accommodations for them as well as hay waggons, than any other place in the neighbourhood.

Your Committee propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Market Committee [135] be authorised and

empowered to negociate and contract with Mr Hall for the purchase of the said land.

Anthony Lamb
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens
Abrm M Valentine

After a Resolution proposed by Mr Bolster as a substitute and a Motion of Mr Sibell to strike out the word "contract" in the Resolution which were both negatived, the Question was taken on the Report and Resolution & it was carried in the Affirmative.

The Report of the Committee on applications to the Legislature on the subject of a Law to appoint a Board of Commissioners to issue Excise & Tavren Licences laid for consideration the 1st Inst was called up and read as follows.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature, to whom was referred the annexed Resolution, directing them, to inquire into the expediency of an application for authority to establish a Board of Commissioners for the issuing of Tavren Licenses

Respectfully Report.

That they have given the subject their consideration and are of the opinion it would be an improvement on the present mode of granting Licences—There are in [136] this City and County Fourteen Wards, and the Mayor with the Alderman and Assistant of each Ward are commissioners for their respective Wards, A majority of whom decide upon all applications, by this arrangement the applicant who is refused in one Ward as an improper person, has thirteen other chances, where he may not be so well known, to obtain a License—The frequent changes in the Board, do not afford the members that experience and opportunity to collect information, Which in this part of their duty is so necessary, And your Committee are constrained to believe, that coming so directly from the people, the representative often yields to applicants and to Landlords and others who recommend them, a more ready compliance with their wishes, than his better Judgment approves. This has gone on year after year, until, the number of Licenses issued in this City has risen to nearly Thirty three hundred or about one to every Sixty souls—One of the effects in thousands of instances has been to induce habits of tippling and idleness, ending in poverty or crime, or both, and contributing more than any other cause, to fill our Alms House and prisons, and proving it, the most destructive measure of Finance, if it be viewed in that light than can be devised.

Entertaining these views your Committee [137] do not hesitate to recommend an application to the Legislature, for authority to appoint a Board of Commissioners, to consist of Five persons, of whom three shall be a quorum, to serve without compensation, and hold their office during the pleasure of the Common Council, which Commissioners, shall have authority to grant Tavern Licences, instead of the Mayor Alderman and Assistant, with power to suspend or revoke the same— They also recommend, that the Common Council be authorised to appoint a Clerk to said Commissioners, who shall receive all monies and account for the same, to the Chamberlain once in every week, and as much oftener as the Commissioners may direct; which Clerk shall give a bond in the sum of Dollars with two Sureties to be approved by the Mayor conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties; and they submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a Law to carry into effect the alterations above suggested And a memorial to the Legislature praying for the passage of such Law

All which is respectfully submitted

William W Mott
Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland
Thos B[o]lton

After some discussion the Report and Resolution as amended were adopted

[138] Mr Stevens moved to call up and consider the Report respecting establishing a Special Court for the trial of minor Offences but the Motion was not sustained by the Board.

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized and directed to prepare a Bond in favor of the Bank of Savings in the City of New York, for the sum of Two hundred thousand Dollars which amount is to be loaned to the Corporation by the said Institution, on the first day of January next at an Interest of Five per Cent payable Quarterly— Three months notice to be given by either party for the payment of the said Bond—The above Loan is for the purpose of paying the balance of the Six per Cent Stock, on the first of January next, And also such Bonds held by the Mechanics Bank as the Finance Committee may direct—And the Mayor is requested to Authenticate the Bond so prepared at any time during the recess of the Board.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Watch Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Watch Committee to enquire into and Report on the [139] propriety of allowing to each of the Watchmen a Reward for arresting persons for Burglary or Setting Fire, provided it shall be made to appear to the Court, that an Unusual degree of Vigilence has been made use of in making such arrest.

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the Side walks be laid in Madison street from Pike to Gouverneur Street, Also the vacant Lots fenced in from Pike to Gouverneur Street.

M^r^ Brown presented the following which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that the Finance Committee be directed to offer for Sale the property belonging to the Corporation in Fulton street known as Firemans Hall.

M^r^ Brown presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor be requested to issue his Proclamation offering a Reward of $100, dollars for the apprehension of the person or persons who may be guilty of the disgraceful and felonious conduct in breaking the doors and destroying other property belonging to the Engine Houses at Firemens Hall in Fulton street on the night of the 14^th^ Decem^r^ Ins^t^

[140] M^r^ Stevens presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner Report to this Board at the next Meeting the probable amount of injury and expence sustained by the Public by reason of the Manhattan Company breaking up the pavements of the Streets to lay down or repair their Pipes.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Gas Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Gas to cause Chamber street from Broadway to Hudson and Hudson street as far up as pipes are laid to be lighted with Gas.

M^r^ Bolster presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that it be referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 11^th^ Ward and Street Commissioner to enquire into the expediency of erecting a Well & Pump in Third street between Avenue D & Lewis Street.

[141] The Comptroller presented the following Report.

Balance as per Act[t] 1st January	$15.808.76
Rec[d] for Tax of 1828	18.400.
" " Streets	9.712.58
" " Rents	2.208.86
" " Alms House for support of Convicts in Greenwich Prison	1,049.
" " Tave[r]n Licences	390.
" " Superior Court fees	327.75
" " Wells & Pumps	297.35
" " Justices Courts	266.79
" " Intelligence Offices	75.
" " Dealers in Second hand Articles	75.
" " Mayoralty fees	56.
	$48.667.37

81 Accounts Audited & ordered to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Hibberd " 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.
Ald Smith attends granting Tavren Licences 1 Jany to 31st Decr 1828 13 days	52.
" Bolton " " " "	52.
" Mott " " " "	52.
" Wyckoff " " " "	52.
" Ireland " " " "	52.
" Stevens " " " "	52.
" Anthony " " " 9 "	36.
" Brown " " " 13 "	52.
" [142] Lamb " " " "	52.
" Shepherd " " " "	52.
" Lozier " " " "	52.
" Lynch " " " "	52.
" Coe " " " 14 "	56.
" Seaman " " " "	56.
" Randolph " " " "	56.
" Sibell " " " "	56.
" Peters " " " "	56.
" Amerman " " " "	56.
" Ostrander " " " 13. "	52.
" Meserole " " " "	52.
" Pittman " " " "	52.
" Bolster " " " "	52.
" Schieffelin " " " "	52.
" Storms " " " "	52.
" Valentine " " " "	52.
" Palmer " " " "	52.
" Woodruff " " " 14 "	56.
" Macneven " " " "	56.
D Hageman Superd[t] Wharves 1 Q[r] Salary 5 Dc[r]	150.

Martin E Thompson for New Plan Enlarging City Hall...	100.
S Gamble preparing Amunition for Troops visit to Indians & 25 Novr.....	70.00
Peter Embury Sundry Groceries 25 Novr.....	65.91
Jas Bu[r]ns & Sons Services "	29.50
J Hays for 13 Officers at City Hall 25 Novr.....	26.
[143] J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Accts & Actt of Secretary of State.....	63.25
J M Devoy Sunday Service 13 Ward 46 days to 1st Decr.	69.
H C Porter Do " 41 days "	61.50
E Beemen Do 9 Ward 38 days "	57.
Wm F Stevenson Do 10 Ward 36 days "	54.
Wm Rhodes Do 7 Ward 22 days "	33.
H F Jollie Do 9 Ward 5 days "	7.50
Asst Ald Wyckoff expences to Albany to Negotiate for State Prison	24.
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo 1 Decr.....	79.17
P Amerman " 3 Markets " "	52.50
A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 14 Decr.....	122.44
Wm McIntire Hawser for Mud Scow.....	45.21
Saml Judd 20 Casks Oil.....	1323.40
New York Gazette Subscription 6 Mo 7 Decr.....	50.
Evening Post Do " 1 Decr.....	50.
J Macauly repairs Sewers Broad St.....	17.31
S Fargay bal repav Water St fm Wall St to Old Slip.....	52.08
H Cochran repav Bridge St from Broad to Whitehall St...	225.29
P. Smith Actt reg & pav Water fm Market to Rutgers St..	350.
J Mehan Actt repav Pump fm Bowery to Ludlow St.....	400.
Estate J Sloan Actt reg Greenwich Lane fm 6 Avenue to 13th St	400.
O McCabe Actt reg & pav Avenue D fm North to near 8th St.....	3500.
S Fargay repairs Intersections 5th Ward.....	76.73
S Fargay Do Do 8 Ward.....	324.47
S Fargay Do Do 2 Ward.....	641.35
F Youmans bal Well 13th St near 6 Avenue.....	13.75
[144] P. McGlin bal Well 21st St near 8 Avenue.....	23.75
P McGlinn 1st payt Well Barrow near Bedford St.....	24.75
J Gallagher Junr bal Well Madison b Scammel & Walnut St.....	52.50
A Smith Curb Stone for foundation Clinton Market.....	272.73
Abm Storms driving piles under do	100.
Enquirer advertising Sale of Assessments 15 Decr 3 Months	205.50
Commercial Do Do	205.50
J Pinkerton bal laying Curb Stones in Park.....	611.80
J Pinkerton laying Curb Stones at Battery.....	341.40
R Graves St Comr for Lands & Places.....	250.
G Lovett Atty for W Hockman bal in full on Pier at Warren St	5625.

Jacob P Roome	Super	Repairs for Fire Dep^{t}	2855.	
J. P Roome	"	Docks & Slips	1601.	
J. P. Roome	"	Lamps	400.	
J. P. Roome	"	Pumps	400.	
J. P. Roome	"	Markets	200.	
J. P. Roome	"	Watch	141.	
A Burtis	Super	Alms House for Alms House	5000.	31.592.29
		Balance		$17.075.08

Board adjourned to Monday 22^{d} December at 5 OClock P. M

[145] In Common Council December 22^{d} 1828

Adjourned Meeting

Present The Honorable William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire.

Aldermen	Assistants
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd J^{r}
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Abraham M Valentine	Henry Storms
Thomas T Woodruff	James Palmer
	William Ja^{s} Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The Petition of Abraham Brower to be appointed to the Office of Sealer of Weights and [146] Measures was read referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Major Bailey for the Office of Weighmaster was read and referred to the Committee on Application for Office

A Petition of George Dally to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal and also to have permission to Cart the same was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Ezekiel Bishop to be released from the payment of his Personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of a number of persons owners and Occupants of Property in the vicinity of Pump street praying that the name of the said

street may be altered to that of Walker street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Williams for a ballance of money due him for regulating part of Tenth street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[147] A Petition of Jacob Lorillard in behalf of the General Episcopal Theological Seminary for a reduction of Quit Rent was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of the Mercantile Library Association for the use of the Session Room in the City Hall in the evening once a Week for Judge Betts to deliver his Law Lectures in, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices with Powers.

A Petition of James Nish stating that in August last he was prosecuted for an alledged breach of the Law regulating the Sale and Inspection of Fire wood, and paid into Court $62,32/100 penalty and praying the same may be refunded was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Louis Appel and others praying to have the Streets between 13th & 21st Streets West of Broadway opened and regulated was read and laid on the Table.

A Return of Nicholas Dean Clerk of the City and County of New York amending the former Return of the 17th November last relative to the Election of James King as Constable of the 14th Ward instead [148] of Caleb Crane as reported in the former Return The same having been read was directed to be filed and the Clerk directed to notify Mr King to appear on the last Monday in December to take the oath required by Law.

A Petition of the Measurers of Coal and Grain to have the fees for measuring increased was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

An Invitation was received from William A Coleman Inviting the Common Council to visit "the Literary Emporium" at Park Place House on Wednesday the 24th December Inst between 10 & 12 OClock was read and Accepted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Philip Rhinelander for remission of Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments Report on the within Petition of P Rhinelander It appears that William Rhinelander died in 1825 and that the Assessors of the 3d Ward Assessed him in the present year. The assessors instead of assessing the late William Rhinelander [149]

ought to have assessed his Executors for any of his personal Estate in their hands, but the Petitioner states that in regard to personal property, the estate is not taxable as it owes as much as it is worth; It would therefore seem that the executors could not have been properly assessed—But at all events William Rhinelander was clearly not liable to be assessed he having died in 1825—Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Collector of the 3d Ward return any Assessment of personal estate against William Rhinelander, who died in the year 1825 in his list of Errors

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Charles Town to have an Error in his Assessment corrected presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments respectfully Report, on the within Petition of [150] Charles Town who was assessed as having 10.000 Dollars of personal property whereas it seems that he ought not to have been Assessed, Of this the Assessors of the 14th Ward are satisfied, as appears by the Certificate of the Assessors, And the following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Collector of the 14th Ward return the Assessment of personal Tax on Charles Town in the list of Errors in his Books

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Francis Thompson to be relieved from the payment of a personal Tax presented a Report which was read as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom the Petition of Francis Thompson was referred respectfully Report thereon, that the rule pre-

scribed by the Board in respect to relief in cases of Assessments will not justify your Committee in recommending relief to [151] the Petitioner—It does not appear that any sufficient excuse exists for the petitioners not applying to the Assessors to correct their valuation, of his personal estate: but it would seem that the Petitioners circumstances when they came to be disclosed, shortly after the Assessment, where shown to be different from what the Assessors supposed—Insted of being worth $50,000 of personal estate, his subsequent Insolvency shewed that he was not worth any thing—In such cases however your Committee think that the Board ought not to interfere; because they do not fall within the rule adopted by the Board, which is only to correct errors where the party assessed had no opportunity to apply to the Assessors for that purpose; And because, the Collectors in such cases, if they cannot Collect the personal Tax, must necessarily return the same in their list of Errors and insolvencies—But your Committee consider that if such personal Taxes can be collected they ought to be collected, because the rule cannot be adopted to allow after circumstances to determine whether the person assessed, was properly Assessed or not—The person assessed is to determine at the time of the Assessment, whether he will object to the amount proposed to be assessed upon him, but after the Board of Supervisors have passed the Books, it cannot properly be allowed to such person to say that alth'o he consented to the Assessment at the [152] time, yet that he has since discovered that he was not worth that sum, and therefore claims relief —Your Committee deem it inexpedient to afford relief, or to interfere in such cases; and they consider that if a person is assessed for personal Tax and does not object at the time (he having an opportunity so to do) This Board ought not to prevent the Collector for collecting the amount of the assessment, provided the same can be collected

The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

After some observations Mr Stevens presented the following as a Substitute for the Resolution proposed by the Committee, which after some discussion was adopted

Resolved that the Collector of the Second Ward be directed to

return the Assessment on Francis Thompson for personal estate among the errors and delinquencies of said Ward.

[153] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Antoine Malapar to be relieved from the payment of his Tax presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Assessments respectfully Report on the within Petition of Antoine Malapar, who was assessed in the 5th Ward as having 10.000 Dollars of personal property—He avers that he is not worth any thing over and above his debts, and that he was informed of the Assessment but neglected to appear before the Assessors, He also states that he has nothing by which the Tax can be collected under all the circumstances Your Committee do not think it expedient to afford relief. It would seem that nothing can be collected, and no sufficient excuse is made for not having applied to the Assessors at the proper time—The Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to interfere in the case of A Malapar's Tax for personal property in the 5th Ward.

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
Edmund Smith

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[154] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph Evans to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Assessment presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments respectfully Report on the within Petition of Joseph Evans, who, it appears was Assessed for personal Tax fo[u]r dollars and forty cents in the 4th Ward, and one dollar and eight cents in the second Ward—It clearly appears that Mr Evans lived several years in the 2d Ward, and now lives there that he has been there Assessed and has paid his Assessments—That when he was so assessed in the 4th Ward he had removed to the opposite side (No 9) Peck Slip which is in the 4th Ward, still keeping his Office in the 2d Ward (No 12) in said Slip, that he merely removed to No 9 for the purpose of repairing his House No 12, on which he has a Lease, and where he had resided for two years previously—As your Committee are satisfied that Mr Evans has paid his Tax in the 2d Ward, and that the 2d Ward was the proper place of his residence, altho he was tempo-

rarily in the 4th Ward, whilst his house was repairing they think that the Assessment in the 4th Ward ought to be considered as erroneous—The following Resolution is therefore submitted.

[155] Resolved that the Collector of the 4th Ward be requested to return the personal Tax on Joseph Evans in the list of Errors in his Book

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of General Charles Lallemand for the remission of Tax on his personal Estate presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments Respectfully Report on the within Petition of Charles Lallemand, who it appears, was assessed in the 8th Ward as possessing personal property to the amount of $20.000 dollars —It appears satisfactorily that General Lallemand is not possessed of any personal property over and above his debts—And his misfortunes since his absence from his native country, in which he was a distinguished Officer, entitle him to expect lenient treatment in our Land—Your Committee are fully satisfied by the Affidavit of General Lallemand, and from other [156] testimony that no Assessment for personal Tax ought to have been made in this case and that General Lallemand had no notice, and was not aware of the necessity at the time, of appealing to the Assessors for relief—Under these circumstances, and considering that General Lallemand is a stranger, not acquainted particularly with our Laws respecting Assessments, Your Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Collector of the 8th Ward be requested to return the Assessment for personal Tax upon General Lallemand, amongst the errors in his Assessment list

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Francisco M Alfaye for the correction of an Error in his Assessment presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments [157] Respectfully report on the within Petition of Francisco M Alfaye, who it seems was Assessed in the 5th Ward as having 3000 Dollars of personal property, Whereas it appears that he is only worth 400 Dollars, and that the Assessors, by mistake, neglected to reduce the assessment to the proper sum. The Assessors certify to the mistake, and therefore the following Resolution is submitted.

Resolved that the Collector of the 5th Ward only charge to said Alfaye his Tax estimating his property at 400 Dollars; and that he return the balance in the list of Errors in his book

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
William W Mott
Edmund Smith
Isaac Amerman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William Rockwell praying to be relieved from the payment of his tax presented the following Report which was read

The Committee on Assessments respectfully Report on the within Petition of William Rockwell, who was Assessed as having 5000 Dollars of personal property in the 5th Ward, but who states that [158] he has been unfortunate in bussiness, and considers himself as not worth a rush—There is no proof of his not being aware of his Assessment, and no excuse for not appealing to the Assessors—The subsequent insolvency of the Petitioner is no reason why he should be relieved. The following Resolution is therefore submitted.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to interfere in the case of the Petitioner

All which is respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
Edmund Smith

Mr Stevens then presented the following Resolution as a substitute for that proposed by the Committee

Resolved that the Collector of the Fifth Ward return the Tax on William Rockwell among the list of Errors and deliquencies of his Ward.

Which was adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William Crosson praying to be relieved from the payment of an undue Assessments for paving side walks of Willett street presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Assessments to [159] whom was referred the annexed Petition of William Crosson, in relation to paving the side walks of Willett Street respectfully Report

That having examined into the circumstances connected therewith, they are of opinion that the Petitioner has no just cause of Complaint and therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition

Bernard J Meserole
H. B. Bolster
Edmund Smith

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph Pilkington relative to the enclosure of the side walk in front of his House N° 129 Orchard street presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee on the annexed Petition of Joseph Pilkington, stating that he had enclosed a part of the side walk in front of his house N° 129 Orchard street with a fence and asking permission for the same to remain Respectfully Report

That no reason appears to exist, why the incumbrance, and obstruction to passengers, which is caused by the fence referred to in the Petition should be suffered [160] to exist, as it is an infringement of One of the Ordinances of this Common Council and ought not to have been placed there, they therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petition is inexpedient and ought not to be granted

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas C Taylor for an extension of time to remove his House in 14th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee on the annexed petition of Thomas C Taylor in relation to his house now standing in Fourteenth street respectfully

Report

That on opening the Street above mentioned it became necessary that the house owned by the Petitioner, should be removed therefrom of which he was duly notified by the Street Commissioner, and made his arrangements for carrying the same into effect but was unfortunately disabled by a wound he received which he states confined him six weeks [161] to his bed, and that he was thereby prevented from complying with the requisitions made on him—When it is considered that the house to be removed is a very heavy brick building and also that the street, and the land adjoining thereto; is to be excavated to the depth of Twenty feet in order to furnish the proper situation for the building in its new location, and also that no possible inconvenience, can result to any other persons from granting an extension of time to Mr Taylor, your Committee are of opinion that it is expedient to comply with the request of the Petitioner and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the time heretofore allowed to Thomas C Taylor to remove his house from Fourteenth street be extended to the first day of April next

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee on the Memorial of owners of property between Bloomingdale Road and the 5th Avenue respecting Waters covering the low grounds presented a Report which was read laid for consideration and directed to be printed

A Petition from John Houghton & a number of [162] others upon the same subject and praying relief was presented read and laid for consideration.

Alderman Peters gave notice that he would call for the consideration of the said Report and Petition at the next Meeting of the Board.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Resolution of the Board to contract with Charles Henry Hall for the purchase of a piece of Land on the 3d Avenue between 6th & 7th Streets for a Scite

for a Market, presented the following Report together with a Contract between said Charles H Hall & Anthony Lamb Esquire Chairman of the Market Committee in behalf of the Corporation—The Report and Contract being read the Report was approved and the Contract accepted and confirmed by the Board The Report was as follows.

The Market Committee Respectfully Report to the Common Council

That by virtue of the authority vested in them by a Resolution of the Board they have entered into a Contract with Charles Henry Hall Esquire for the purchase of a piece of Land in the 3d Avenue between 6th & 7th Streets for a Market Site on more favorable terms than was contained in Mr Halls first proposition which was stated [163] in their Report on the first day of December instant.

By the proposition contained in said Report part of the Land proposed to be sold to the Corporation by Mr Hall was to be subject to a Lease which had 23 years yet to run, this Lease Mr Hall has agreed to extinguish, he has also agreed to cede to the Corporation a Street of 50 feet Wide on the East side of the Land sold instead of a Street of 40 feet which was the proposition contained in said Report.

The Committee therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the said Contract be referred to the Counsel of the Board to examine the Title of Mr Hall to the Land aforesaid, and to prepare the necessary conveyances for the same.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant for Five thousand dollars in favor of Charles Henry Hall at the next Meeting of the Board, and a Warrant for the balance agreeably to the Contract, which Warrants shall be delivered to Mr Hall as soon as the Title to said land shall have been examined, if the same shall prove satisfactory, and when a Deed shall be executed for the same to the Corporation.

Anthony Lamb
Abm M Valentine
Stuart F Randolph
W Seaman
Samuel Stevens

[164] The Alderman & Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the subject of Building a Well & Pump in 3d Street between Avenue D & Lewis Street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Alderman and Assistant of the Eleventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Resolution to have a Well dug and built and a Pump erected therein in Third street between Avenue D and Lewis street

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion a well is necessary at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein in Third street between Avenue D and Lewis street

Lemuel Pittman
H. B. Bolster
R Graves Stᵗ Comʳ

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob B Taylor & others for a Well & Pump at the Corner of Jane Street and Greenwich Lane presented the following Report [165] in favor of the same

The Alderman & Assistant respectfully Report that a Well & Pump is much wanted at the corner of Jane Street and Greenwich Lane and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well & Pump be placed in Jane Street near Greenwich Lane.

John R Peters
Isaac Amerman
R Graves.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Counsel presented the draft of a Memorial and Law on the subject of issuing Tavren & Excise Licences which were laid on the Table for further consideration.

The Counsel presented the following Report of Certificates of Sales of Land sold for Assessments on the 15th day of December Instant.

The Counsel respectfully Reports to the Board that pursuant to the directions of the Street Commissioner, he has prepared the following Certificates of sales of Land, sold for Assessments on the 15th day of December instant, and request that an order may be passed to have such Certificates authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

1. [166] A Certificate to John Van Boskerk for ten years for one Lot from the 15th December 1830 on the 6th Avenue east side, between 4th & 5th Streets Map Nº 169 24 feet front assessed $33, for opening a

Public place in the 9th Ward sold for $50.41/100 assessed as the property of Hitchcock.

2. The like, to the same, for the like time for one lot on the 6th Avenue East side between 4th & 5th Streets Map N° 170, 24 feet front Assessed $27.50/100 for the same opening sold for $44,49/100 assessed as belonging to A Hitchcock.

3. The like to the same for the like time, for One Lot on the 6th Avenue East side between 4th & 5th Streets Map N° 170, 24 feet front assessed $27.52/100 for the same opening as belonging to A Hitchcock sold for $44,49/100.

4. The like to the same, for the like time for one Lot on the 6th Avenue East side corner of 5th Street Map N° 172, 23 feet 8 inches front assessed $38,50/100 for the same opening as the property of A Hitchcock sold for $56,32/100.

5. The like to the same for Nine years of a Lot on the South side of 5th Street between McDougall [167] street and the 6th Avenue Map N° 173, 22 feet 4 inches assessed $49.50/100 for the same opening as the property of A Hitchcock Sold for $68.11/100

6. The like, to John Ireland for Twenty five years for a Lot on the South side of 4th Street between Wooster & Thompson streets Map N° 3. 23 feet 3 inches front Assessed $537,50/100 for the same opening as the property of John Ireland sold for $592.67/100.

7. The like to James Morange for Thirty five years for one Lot on the South side of 4th Street between Thompson and MacDougall Streets Map N° 27—25 feet front assessed $537 50/100 for the same opening as the property of John B Murray sold for $592,67/100.

8. The like to George Lovett for Seventy five years for one Lot, on the South side of Fourth street between Thompson & McDougall streets, Map N° 30. 25 feet front assessed $537.50/100 for the same opening as the property of John B Murray sold for $592,67/100

9. The like, to the same, for Seventy years, for one Lot on the South side of Fourth street, between Thompson & McDougal Streets Map N° 33 25 feet front Assessed $537 50/100 for the same opening, as the property of John B Murray sold for $592,67/100

10. [168] The like to Thatcher T Payne, for ten years for one Lot on the North side of Amity street between Thompson & McDougal streets Map N° 110, 25 feet front assessed $49.50/100 for the said opening as the property of John B Murray sold for $68 11/100

11. The like to George Lovett for fifty years, of one Lot on the South side of Sixth street between McDougal Street and the 6th Ave-

nue Map N° 214 22 feet front assessed $242, for the said opening as the property of Thomas R Mercein sold for $274,$^{97}/_{100}$

12. The like, to the same, for Forty years, of one Lot on the South side of Sixth street between McDougall street and the 6th Avenue, Map N° 215 22 feet front assessed $308, for the same opening as the property of Thomas R Mercein sold for $345,$^{99}/_{100}$.

13. The like, to the same for ninety five years, of one Lot on the South side of Fourth street between Wooster and Thompson streets Map N° 5. 25 feet front assessed $537.$^{50}/_{100}$ for the same opening as the property of Alfred S Pell sold for $592,$^{67}/_{100}$

14. The like, to the same, for Seventy years, of one Lot on the North side of Sixth street between the 5th & 6th Avenues Map N° 47 Assessed $215, for the [169] same opening as the property of Alfred S Pell being 23 feet 3 Inches front sold for $246,$^{3}/_{100}$

15. The like to William Lewis, for Twenty five years, for one Lot on the North side of Sixth street between the 5th & 6th Avenues Map N° 48. 23 feet 3 inches front assessed $215, for the same opening, as the property of Alfred S Pell sold for $246.$^{03}/_{100}$.

16. The like, to the same, for fifteen years, of one Lot on the North side of 6th Street between McDougall street and the 6th Avenue Map N° 49, 49 feet 4 inches front Assessed $107,$^{50}/_{100}$ for the same opening as the property of Alfred S Pell sold for $130 $^{48}/_{100}$.

17. The like, to George Lovett for eighty five years for One Lot on the South side of Fourth street between McDougall Street and the 6th Avenue Map N° 149. 21 feet front assessed $231, for the said opening as the property of Alfred S Pell sold for $263,$^{23}/_{100}$.

18. The like, to Daniel W Kissam for Thirty years for one lot same street & side & between same streets Map N° 150 same front, assessed $236 $^{50}/_{100}$ for same opening as same property sold for $268,$^{64}/_{100}$.

19. The like, to George Lovett, for 30 years one Lot [170] same Street, side, between same Streets Map N° 151 same front assessed $269,$^{50}/_{100}$ same opening as same property sold for $304,$^{61}/_{100}$.

20. The like, to the same, for 50 years, of one Lot, on the same street, side, between same streets, Map N° 152 same front, assessed $313,$^{50}/_{100}$ same opening and property sold for $351 $^{90}/_{100}$.

21. The like, to James Barhydt, for 30 years of one Lot, South side Fourth street, corner Macdougall Street Map N° 153 same front assessed $385, same opening & property sold for $428 $^{75}/_{100}$.

22. The like to Daniel W Kissam for 25 years one Lot North side of Fourth street between McDougall street and Sixth Avenue Map N°

159 23 feet front assessed $176, same opening and property sold for $204,11/100.

23 The like to George Lovett for 35 years One Lot same street, side, between same streets Map N° 160 same front assessed $154, same opening and property sold for $180 46/100.

24. The like to the same for 25 years one Lot same Street, side, between same Streets Map N° 161 [171] same front, assessed $132, same opening and property sold for $156,82/100.

25. The like to James Depeyster for 20 years for one Lot same street side, between same streets Map N° 162 23 feet 3 inches front assessed $110, same opening and property sold for $133,17/100.

26. The like to the same for 19 years One Lot same street, side between same Streets, same front, Map N° 163 assessed $93,5/100 same opening & property sold for $115,43/100.

27. The like to George Lovett, for 25 years, one Lot on South side of Fifth street, between same Streets Map N° 175. 22 feet 4 Inches front assessed $82,5/100 same opening and property sold for $103 41/100.

28. The like to the same for 25 years One Lot on the same Street, side, between same Streets Map N° 176 same front Assessed $93,5/100 same opening and property sold for $115,43/100.

29. The like to Thomas Blanch for 20 years One Lot same street, side, between same Streets, Map N° 177 same front assessed $110, same opening and property sold for $133,17/100.

30. [172] The like, to George Lovett for 30 years, one Lot same street, side, between same streets Map N° 178 same front Assessed $137.5/100 same opening and property sold for $133,17/100.

31. The like to George Lovett for 35 years, one Lot North side, of 6th Street between 5th & 6th Avenues Map N° 217—23 feet 3 Inches front assessed $220, same opening and property sold for $251,4/100.

32. The like to Daniel W Kissam for 30 years One Lot same Street side, between same Streets Map N° 218, same front, same Assessment Amount, opening and property, sold for same sum

33. The like to the same, like N° of years, one Lot same Street side front between same Streets Map N° 219 same Assessment amount opening and property, sold for same sum.

34. The like to George Lovett for 25 years, one Lot, same Street, side, front, between same Streets, Map N° 220, same Assessment, amount, opening, and property, sold for same sum.

35. The like to the same for 35 years, one Lot [173] same street,

side, front, between same streets, Map N° 221, same asssessment, amount opening & property sold for same sum.

36. The like, to the same, for 15 years, one Lot, same street, side, front, between same streets, Map N° 230 Assessed $55, same opening & property sold for $74,$^{5}/_{100}$

37. The like, to the same, for 100 years, one Lot, South side of Fourth S^{t} between Thompson and M^{c}Dougall streets Map N° 32, 25 feet front, Assessed $537,$^{50}/_{100}$ same opening and property sold for $592,$^{67}/_{100}$

38. The like, to William Lewis, for nine years one Lot, on the North side of Sixth street called Gay street Map N° 1009, 28 feet front Assessed $30, for same opening & property sold for $47.$^{18}/_{100}$

39. The like, to Benjamin Birdsall, for four years, one lot, South side of Sixth S^{t} between M^{c}Dougall street and 6th Avenue Map N° 212, 22 feet front, assessed $198, for same opening as the property of George Slater sold for $227 $^{7}/_{100}$.

40. The like, to John C Tucker, for 14 years, one Lot North side of Amity street between Thompson & M^{c}Dougall St^{s} Map N° 116—25 feet front—Assessed [174] $49.$^{50}/_{100}$ same opening as the property of Ralph Wells sold for $68,$^{14}/_{100}$.

41. The like to George Lovett, for 35 years, 3 Lots, on North side of Fourth S^{t}, between M^{c}Dougall S^{t} and 6th Avenue, Map No^{s} 156. 157. 158—66 feet front assessed $649, same opening as the property of Hannah Murray sold for $712.$^{52}/_{100}$

Respectfully submitted

M Ulshoeffer

Which was approved and the Certificates directed to be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

The Counsel presented the following Resolutions relative to improving and widening Ann street.

I. Resolved that it is desirable, for the public convenience to widen and improve Ann Street on the Northerly and Southerly sides thereof between Broadway and Nassau streets, in the second Ward of the City of New York, according to the plan, and on the lines laid down on a Map entitled "Map of property effected by the widening of Ann street between Broadway and Nassau street" dated New York Decem^{r} 18th 1828 Joseph F Bridges City Surveyor (the same being a Street not laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in [175] the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of streets

and roads in the City of New York and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807) and that the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done, and that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the premises in order that the same may be carried into effect—And that there be joined therewith an application to the Supreme Court to have part of the Southerly side of said Ann street between Broadway and Nassau street closed according to the plan, and on the lines laid down on the Map above mentioned.

II. Resolved that the Petition to the Supreme Court in the above matters be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Which were adopted

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well & Pump in 3d Street between Avenue D and Lewis street and Alpheus Sherman Charles Dusenbury and James Barclay were appointed Assessors.

[176] For a Well & Pump in Jane street near Greenwich Lane and Abraham Le Foy John B Thorp & John Leonard were appointed Assessors

The Street Commissioner presented the following Report on subject of injury done to the Streets by the Manhattan Company

The Street Commissioner in Obedience to a Resolution passed in Common Council the 15th Ult in the following Words. "Resolved that the Street Commissioner report to the Board at their next Meeting the probable amount of injury and expence sustained by the Public by reason of the Manhattan Company breaking up the pavements of the Streets to lay down or repair their pipes"

Respectfully Reports

That he has duly considered the subject, and finds himself much at a loss to furnish an estimate of damages that will amount to more than mere conjecture, having no data by which a statement of facts may be founded on an actual amount of damages.

It must be conceded however that very considerable damage has been done to the pavement of the Streets through which the Manhattan Company have laid and, from time to time repaired their Conduits or Pipes—and for the last fifteen or twenty [177] years the Citizens have been called upon to repair the breaches evidently occasioned by the frequent breaking up the pavements by the agents of

the Manhattan Company—It must be acknowledged that for the last three or four years not much loss or damage has accrued as every possible care has been adopted to relay the pavements in the best manner the circumstances would admit—And as the Company have commenced and considerably progressed in substituting Iron Pipes for the wooden ones heretofore used, the necessity of breaking up the pavements will in future seldom occur or be entirely obviated.

The Street Commissioner being called upon for a Report as to the Probable amount of damages &c ventures an opinion that a sum not less than $10,000 would make good the damages to the pavements of the Streets by the Manhattan Company in laying and repairing their pipes for the last Twenty years.

All which is respectfully submitted

R Graves
Stᵗ Comʳ

Which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

[178] The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Vizᵗ

Nº	1.	J Kennedy	Occupᵗ	Nº	49 Cedar Sᵗ	A privy
	2.	J Fleming	owner		56 dº	Dº
	3.	D Hollis	Occupᵗ		58 Dº	Dº
	4.	A Arden	owner		64 Dº	Dº
	5.	A Labagh	dº		68 Dº	Dº
	6.	J. G. Dyckman	Agent		71 Dº	Dº
	7.	Dº	Dº		73. Dº	Dº
	8.	M Jacobs	Owner		78 Dº	Dº
	9.	Davis & Gibson	Dº		32 Chapel Sᵗ	Dº
	10.	Miles Hitchcock	Dº		34 Dº	Dº
	11.	C H Dall	Dº		39. Dº	Dº
	12.	J Anderson	Dº		41. Dº	Dº
	13.	J Harrington	Executor	Nº	110 Church Sᵗ	Dº
	14.	H Calm	Agent	Nº	126 Duane Sᵗ	Dº
	15.	Dº	Dº		128 Dº	Dº
	16.	P. Durando	Dº		146. Dº	Dº
	17.	Aʳ McLaughlin	Lessee		159. Dº	Dº
	18.	T Disbrow	owner		167. Dº	Dº
	19.	J. Tallman	do		168. Dº	Dº
	20.	S Shirley	Dº		170 Dº	Dº
	21.	A Blanch	Lessee		171 Dº	Dº
	22.	C Baker	owner		172. Dº	Dº

23.	P. R Voorhees	owner	173.	Duane St	A privy
24.	I Halsey	Do	174	Do	Do
25.	Do	Do	176	Do	Do
26.	[179] T Renton	Agent	179	Do	Do
27.	T Oliver	do	190	Do	Do
28.	C Clark	Owner	227	Do	Do
29.	Jas Anderson	Do	229	Do	Do
30.	A Hagstaff	Do	231	Do	Do
31.	J Gilbert	Do	100	Greenwich St	Do
32.	Do	Do	102	do	Do
33.	L Dashwood	Agent	157	Do	Do
34.	H Van Solingen	owner	161.	Do	Do
35.	J Wood	Do	174	Do	Do
36.	Heirs of J Stoutenburgh	Do	175	Do	Do
37.	L Deklyn	Do	179	Do	Do
38.	J. C. Morrison	Do	189	Do	Do
39.	D E Tylee	Do	198	Do	Do
40.	W Westervelt	Do	209.	Do	Do
41.	W Osborrn	Do	222	Do	Do
42.	W Barnes	Do	224.	Do	Do
43.	R Swanton	Do	225	Do	Do
44.	W Robinson	do	226	Do	Do
45.	R Swanton	Do	227.	Do	Do
46.	J. C Taylor	Do	231	Do	Do
47.	R V Newman	Do	238	Do	Do
48.	R McCrea	Agent	239	Do	Do
49.	J Heaton	owner	240	Do	Do
50	R McCrea	Agent	241	Do	Do
51	Wm McCluskey	owner	248	Do	Do
52	E Arents	Lessee	249	Do	Do
53.	[180] J Crichton	owner	263	Do	Do
54.	S P & H Queripel	Lessee	665	Do	Do
55.	J McCoy	owner	273	Do	Do
56.	F Shonnard	do	275	Do	Do
57.	D Barnes	Do	275	Do	Do
58.	R Buchan	Do	319	Do	Do
59.	A McKensie	Do	377	Do	Do
60.	S Marks	Do	No 3	Harrison St	Do
61.	T. Oliver	Lessee	20	Hudson St	Do
62.	C Miller	owner	28	Lumber St	Do
63.	Emmet & Selden	Agents	10	Do	Do
64.	C Mathews	owner	26	Do	Do
65.	R Niven	Do	28	Do	Do
66.	A Ogilvie	Do	38	Do	Do
67.	M Johnson	Agent	44	Do	Do
68.	G Van Dolsom	owner	70	N Moore St	Do
69.	G. S Storms	Do	72	Do	Do
70.	A Hall	Do	36	Robinson St	Do
71.	W Borland	Do	37	do	Do

72. M Wood	owner	47 Robinson St	A privy
73. W Robertson	Do	49 Do	Do
74. B Westervelt	Do	4 Staple St	Do
75. J Riddle	Do	8 Thames St	Do
76. J. L Graham	Do	12 do	Do
77. J. B Thorp	Do	14 do	Do
78 J Hancock	Do	15½ Do	Do
79. J. G Dyckman	Agent	19 Do	Do
80. [181] Js Stafford	Lessee	21 Do	Do
81. J A Snyder	owner	22 do	Do
82. M Parsons	do	261 Washington St	Do

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City Inspector

Which were passed.

Mr Brown moved that the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department, on the subject of establishing Hydrants in the Streets of the City, be called up, which motion after some objections made he withdrew.

Alderman Lamb presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Market Committee.

Resolved that the Market Committee enquire into the expediency of enclosing the Market ground attached to the Clinton Market on the side of Canal street with an Iron Railing.

Mr Stevens moved that the Report of the Committee on Police and Jail & Bridewell on presentment of the Grand Jury respecting establishing a Court for trial of minor Offences be now called up. The Question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative.

[182] Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Attorney of the Board be directed to prosecute John P Signer No 99 Chapel Street 5th Ward for a breach of his recognisance as a Tavren Keeper having permitted a Roulet Table to be used in his House contrary to Law.

Alderman Valentine presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers.

Resolved that the Comptroller report a Warrant for $600, in favor of Nicholas Davis on Account of Building the Market in Grand Street.

Mr Bolster presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

Whereas persons owning and interested in property and doing bussiness near Stanton Slip in the 11th Ward did Petition this Common Council some Eight or Nine Months since against the practice of

laying up North River Sloops in said Slip during the Winter Season; and as nothing has since been heard of that Petition—Therefore

Resolved that it be referred to the Law [183] Committee to enquire into the expediency of passing an Ordinance to prevent in future the practice of laying up dismantled Vessels in Stanton Slip.

Mr Storms presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that the name of Orange street be changed to Congress Street.

Mr Meserole presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

Resolved that some alteration be made in relation to the rules and regulations adopted by this Board for the better Government of the Committee on Assessments and that a Committee of Blank be appointed by his Honor the Mayor to Report at our next Meeting of the Common Council some more salutary rule so that the Committee have a proper guide to be governed by and advertise the same in the Public papers in the employ of the Common Council for the benefit of the Citizens generally.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was read and laid on the Table

Resolved that it be referred to a Special [184] Committee to Report upon the expediency of establishing a separate Department to take charge of the Wharves Piers & Slips and Lands & Places belonging to the Corporation.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that Copys of the City Ordinances Laws of the State applicable to the City & Maps of the City be furnished to the newly elected Members of the Common Council.

The Board the[n] adjourned to Monday next the 29th Inst at 10 O Clock A M.

[185] In Common Council Decem[r] 29. 1828

Present The Honb[l] William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistant
Edmund Smith	Thomas Bolton
William W Mott	Jacob Wyckoff
William H Ireland	Samuel Stevens
Anthony Lamb	Isaac Brown
John Lozier	John Shepherd Jun[r]
William S Coe	William Seaman
Stuart F Randolph	John F Sibell
John R Peters	Isaac Amerman
Gideon Ostrander	Bernard J Meserole
Lemuel Pittman	Henry B Bolster
Effingham Schieffelin	Henry Storms
Abraham M Valentine	James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff	William Ja[s] Macneven

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Gabriel Van Cott and also of Stephen Van Nostrand for the Office of Street Inspector of the 13[th] Ward were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

[186] A Petition of A M Muir & others Managers of the Dinner to be given on 8[th] of January for the loan of the Portrait of General Jackson was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs with powers.

A Remonstrance of J W Brown & others against M[r] Lovett the returned Assistant of the 13[th] Ward being allowed to take his seat as a Member of the Board was read—Whereupon it was Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw their Petition.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Shotwell for relief in consequence of his property in Maiden Lane having been sold for Taxes presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of John Shotwell, who claims relief in consequence of his property in Maiden Lane having been sold for Taxes, This is an application which your Committee have duly examined and considered—The claim of the Petitioner amounts to about 240 Dollars for losses and expences owing to his property having been returned by the late Collector of arrears of Taxes [187] as not having the taxes paid—Under all the circumstances of this case, and considering the peculiar hardship upon the petitioner, Your Committee have agreed to give him, and he has

agreed to accept, One hundred dollars, in full of his claim—The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of John Shotwell, which shall be delivered to him, on his executing a Release to the Corporation in full of all demands.

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Wm H Ireland
William H Ireland
[William W Mott]
Stuart F Randolph
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the subject of enclosing the ground around Clinton Market with an Iron Railing on Canal street side presented the following Report.

The Market Committee on the annexed Resolution directing them to enquire into the expediency of enclosing the ground attached to the Clinton Market on the side of Canal street with an Iron Railing—Respectfully Report

[188] That no part of the said Market has been built on Canal street, the ends of the Market merely touching the line of the Street between these ends it is proposed to erect the Railing, the distance about 200 feet.

There is great reason to fear, from the exposed situation of the ground, between Canal street and the County Market that unless some barrier is interposed, it will be used as a place of deposit for all the filth which is nightly brought into this neighbourhood from other parts of the City.

Your Committee are therefore of opinion that it will be proper to erect a Railing agreeably to the Resolution, of a substantial but plain construction, with Gates at proper distances which can be closed at Night by the Clerk of the Market.

The cost of such railing including foundation, Plinth and Brace stones agreeably to an estimate procured for the Committee, by the Street Commissioner, will be Six dollars per Foot or $1200, for the whole railing.

The Committee propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Market Committee cause an Iron Railing to be

erected along Canal [189] street so as to enclose the ground attached to the Clinton Market on that side.

Anthony Lamb
W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph
Ab^{m} M Valentine.

The question being taken on agreeing to the same & a Division having been called by Alderman Ireland the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Al^{d} Smith Lamb Lozier Coe Randolph Peters Pittman Schieffelin Valentine M^{r} Bolton Shepherd Seaman Sibell Ammerman Storms Macneven 16.

In the Negative Al^{d} Mott Ireland Ostrander Woodruff M^{r} Stevens Brown Meserole Bolster Palmer. 9

So it was carried in the Affirmative and the Report [190] was approved and the Resolution adopted, M^{r} Brown gave notice of reconsideration at the next Meeting.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George A Wilt for a Butchers Licence for Stall N^{o} 6 Washington Market presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Market Committee on the annexed Petition of George A Wilt for a Butchers Licence for Stall N^{o} 6 Washington Market lately occupied by Nicholas Dean deceased

Respectfully Report

That the Petitioner is well recommended and it appearing by his Petition and the Certificates annexed to it that he has served a regular apprenticeship to the Trade of a Butcher, and Jacob Aims Administrator of the said Nichols Dean deceased having requested that the said Stall should be granted to the Petitioner

The Committee propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted.

Anthony Lamb
W Seaman
Stuart F Randolph

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[191] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Ezekiel Bishop to be relieved from the payment of his personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Ezekiel Bishop respectfully

Report

That from an examination of the Petitioner under oath, and from the Certificate of one of the Assessors of the 10th Ward hereunto annexed they are satisfied that the Petitioner should be released from tax on his personal property except on the sum of Five hundred dollars, and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 10th Ward be directed to receive from Ezekiel Bishop his Tax on Five hundred dollars and return the balance among the errors and delinquencies of said Ward.

Bernard J Meserole
Edmund Smith
William W Mott
Isaac Amerman
H. B. Bolster

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating and paving West street from Harrison to Hoboken street presented the following [192] Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of Regulating and paving West street from Harrison Street to Hoboken Street

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion that street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that West street be regulated and paved from Harrison street to Hoboken street

Gideon Ostrander
Jn° R Peters
William S Coe
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of examining the profiles of the several Streets and Avenues between 13th & 24th Streets made by order of the Board under the direction of the Street Commissioner presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee having examined the Profiles of the Several Streets and Avenues between 13th & 24th Streets made by order of the Board under the direction of the Street Commissioner, are of the opinion that the lines [193] of Regulation as drawn thereon are Judicious and proper, and recommend that they severally be adopted and confirmed.

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the several profiles were confirmed.

A Remonstrance of John Lang and Augustus Fleming against the return of Election of the 1st Ward wherein John Y Cebra & James I Roosevelt Jr were returned as Alderman and Assistant of the 1st Ward and claiming seats at the Board as Alderman and Assistant of the said first Ward accompanied with sundry Depositions, the same having been read, it was moved that it be laid on the Table, which was agreed to.

Mr Stevens then presented the following Resolution

Resolved that the subject of the Election of the Alderman and Assistant of the First ward be laid on the Table for the consideration of the New Board And that this Board decline to swear in or take any measures to prejudice the right of either of the Candidates.

After some discussion a Motion was [194] made to lay the same on the Table. the Question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Vernon & others to have the West side of Coffee House Slip repaved and regulated presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Vernon and others to have the Carriage way repaved on the Westerly side of the Coffee House Slip

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Carriage way on the Westerly side of the Coffee

House Slip be repaved from Front street to South Street including the intersection of Front street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[195] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject relative to paving the Side walks of Madison street between Pike and Gouverneur Streets presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the side walks of Madison street between Pike and Gouverneur streets

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks in that street ought to be laid and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side walks in Madison street be paved from Pike street to Governeur Street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to regulate and pave Mangin street from Rivington to Delancy street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Obadiah Newcomb and [196] others to have Mangin street paved between Delancy and Rivington streets Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Mangin street be regulated and paved from Delancy street to Rivington street.

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Fitz roy Road paved between Greenwich street and 13th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Kane and others to have the Fitzroy Road paved between Greenwich street and 13th Street Respectfully

Report.

That in their opinion that street ought to be paved and therefore submit the following [197] Resolution

Resolved that the Fitzroy or Great Kill Road be paved between Greenwich street and 13th Street

Gideon Ostrander
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Lemuel Pittman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Special Committee on Blackwell's Island presented the following Report relative to an allowance to Mr Burtis Superintendant of the Alms House a per Centage on the monies disbursed by him.

The Special Committee on Blackwells Island Respectfully Report

That at the commencement of their labours, Mr Arthur Burtis, Superintendant of the Alms House, at the request of your Committee undertook to make the necessary purchases for the new penitentiary erecting on the Island, to disburse all monies necessary to be paid out on that account, and to superintend the progress of the improvements which were undertaken. They have examined Mr Burtis's account of disbursements up to the present time, amounting to $12550 27/100 Dollars and satisfactory [198] vouchers have been produced for every item of the same.

The zeal and ability with which Mr Burtis has Co-operated with your Committee compel them as an act of justice to him, to recommend that he be allowed a commission of 2½ per Cent on the amount above stated, as a compensation up to this time, for his services, and the risk he assumed in paying out the various sums, which make up said account, and they offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller report a Warrant in favour of

Arthur Burtis for 313 $^{75}/_{100}$ Dollars being 2½ per Cent on the monies expended in erecting the new Penitentiary on Blackwells Island.

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
W^{m} H Ireland
Thomas T Woodruff
Anthony Lamb
Gideon Ostrander
Thomas Bolton
Ab^{m} M Valentine

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Commissioner [199] presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz^{t}

For a Well & Pump in 13th Street near the 7th Avenue and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For repaving Duane street from Hudson to Greenwich street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

For paving Mott street from Houstoun to Bleecker street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented the following Report of Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto.

For regulating and paving Mangin street from Delancy to Rivington street and John Slidell Cornelius Harsen & Thomas R Smith appointed Assessors.

For laying side walks of Madison street between Pike and Gouverneur street and Abraham Bloodgood Peter Pinckney & Thomas Herring were appointed Assessors.

For regulating and paving West street from Harrison to Hoboken street and Peter Stagg [200] James Fairlie & James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

For regulating and paving the Great Kill Road from Greenwich street to 13th Street and John Targee Abraham Baudoine and Shivers Parker were appointed Assessors.

For repaving the Westerly side of Coffee House Slip from Front to South street and Abraham Dally David Lyon & Samuel Purdy were appointed Assessors

The Chief Engineer presented the following Report of Firemen— The resignations were accepted and appointments made

Engineers

Jacob Anthony 539 Pearl St Accountant
Vc Jameson Cox Esq Resigned

Thomas How—Builder Cor Hester & Eldridge
Vc George Vaughn Resigned

Fire Engine Co
No 27

James H Dixon Cooper Hudson St
Vc William Cook—Resigned

[201] No 48

John Halsted Carpenter 16th Street
Jacob Morris Carpenter 6th Avenue & 5th St } To fill the Company

Fire Wardens

7th Ward

George Paulding Carpenter 89 Henry St
Vc Samuel B Mersereau—Resigned

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correction of Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No	1. W Beaty	owner	No	3 Anthony St	A privy
	2. W W Cowan	Agent		5. Do	Do
	3. J Alexander	owner		7. Do	Do
	4. R Sharp	Do		9. Do	Do
	5. J Cherry	Agent		11. Do	Do
	6. G McVicker	owner		13. Do	Do
	7. T Flender	do		14. Do	Do
	8. M Vredenburgh	Do		15 Do	Do
	9. Do	Do		15. Do	Do
	10. S Curtis	Lessee		18 Do	Do
	11. C Fradenburgh	owner		22. Do	Do
	12. M Van Beuren	Do		36 Do	Do
	13 W Beaty	Do		40 Do	Do
	14. [202] C Vanriper	Do		48 Do	Do
	15. J Hoffman	do		50 do	Do
	16. P. D *Kettletas*[Keteltas]	Do		52 Do	Do
	17. M Tunison	Do		54 Do	Do
	18. J. F Delaplaine	Do		67. Do	Do
	19. H E Haight	Do		46 Beach St	Do
	20. J. C Vanderbilt	Lessee		48. Do	Do

21.	S Kavan	owner	50	Beach St	A privy
22.	L Smith	Do	52.	Do	Do
23.	D Strong	Do	54	Do	Do
24.	Do	Do	56.	Do	Do
25.	W B Ballow	Do	62	Do	Do
26.	P. Maby	Do	13	Desbrosses St	Do
27.	A [Za]briskie	Do	15	Do	Do
28.	J Van Valer	Do	17	Do	Do
29.	J Ackerman	Do	28	Do	Do
30.	W Jones	Do	29	Do	Do
31.	R Amos	Do	306	Greenwich St	Do
32.	J Low	Agent	345	Do	Do
33.	J G Gottsberger	Executor	352	Do	Do
34.	W H Brackett	Owner	385	Do	Do
35.	T Herring	Do	408	Do	Do
36.	W G Monell	Do	416	Do	Do
37.	A Corning	Do	431	Do	Do
38.	J Davidson	Do	437.	Do	Do
39.	H Traphagen	Do	447	Do	Do
40.	Do	Do	447	Do	Do
41.	[203] J Brown	Agent	12	Harrison St	Do
42.	J Campbell	Owner	7	Jay St	Do
43.	R Pattison	do	57	Laight St	Do
44.	J Dickson	Lessee	51	N Moore St	Do
45.	J J Westervelt	owner	53	Do	Do
46.	M Penniman	Do	55	Do	Do
47.	W B Ballow	Do	61	Do	Do
48.	J. A Rich	Do	66	Do	Do
49.	J Graham	Do	71	Do	Do
50.	J Ruckle	Do	46	Provoost St	Do
51.	M Lozier	Do	48	Do	Do
52.	D Jacot	Executor	53.	Do	Do
53.	N Bunce	owner	60	Do	Do
54.	Do	Do No	10	Thomas St	Do
55.	J Murray	Do	21	Do	Do
56.	H Kidney	Do	25	Do	Do
57.	Do	Do	25	Do	Do
58.	A Bogert	Do	28.	Do	Do
59.	S Tiebout	Do	35	Do	Do
60.	M Johnson	Do	38	Do	Do
61.	Do	Do	40.	Do	Do
62.	Mutual Insurance Co	Do	8	Vestry St	Do
63.	D Clark	Do	12	Do	Do

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Which were passed.

[204] The Report of the Street Committee on the Petition of owners of property lying between the Bloomingdale Road and the Fifth

Avenue & 15th & 21st Streets respecting the Water inundating the low ground which was laid for consideration on the 22d day of December was called up and read in the words following.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of sundry of the owners and occupants of the property lying between the Bloomingdale Road and the Fifth Avenue and the 13th and 21st Streets praying to be relieved from the water inundating the low ground in that vicinity

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee relief ought to be afforded the Petitioners in some efficient and permanent manner, and on mature deliberation and due reflection, that in order to afford such relief, they recommend that the Fifth Avenue be opened and continued to 21st Street that 15th Street be opened from the Bowery to the Hudson River, and that 17th Street be opened from the Bloomingdale Road to the Sixth Avenue, which streets, when opened and regulated, and the intermediate Lots filled up, would afford permanent relief to all the low grounds East of the Sixth Avenue. On the contrary should a sewer (as [205] contemplated by some) be constructed of sufficient capacity to convey off the waters to the Minetto Sewer or to the river, the expense of which would, in the opinion of your Committee, fall but little, if any thing, short of that of filling the grounds so as to convey the waters upon the surface, and especially, as that there is abundance of earth to be obtained in that immediate neighbourhood.

In order therefore that the views of your Committee may be carried into effect and the earliest relief afforded the petitioners they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

1. Resolved, that the Fifth Avenue be opened and continued from Thirteenth street to Twenty first Street

2. Resolved that Fifteenth street be opened from the Bowery to the Hudson River.

3. Resolved, that Seventeenth be opened from the Bloomingdale Road to the Sixth Avenue.

4. Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures for carrying the foregoing resolutions into effect

Gideon Ostrander
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
Lemuel Pittman

Whereupon the Report was approved and the Resolution adopted—

Mr Brown gave notice of [206] Reconsideration at the next Meeting *at the next Meeting* of the Board

The Comptroller presented the following Report.

Balance as per Actt 15th Inst	$17.075.08
Recd for Streets	21.789.72
" Tax of 1828	8.300.
" Rents	4.625.
" Arrears of Taxes	1.051.70
" Fines of Attorney	677.43
" ½ Lottery Licences	500.
" Justices Courts	315.49
" Clerk of Sessions fees	276.95
" Wells & Pumps	181.
	$54.792.37

76 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	$1386.
Astin & Hibberd do 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring Do 3d "	945.
Wm Paulding Mayor attens Board of Supervisors 1 Year to 1 Jany 1829	10.
R Riker Recorder Do Do	6.
Ald Smith Attens Court 6 Mo & Supervisors 1 Year to Do	52.
Ald Mott do Do	8.
Ald Ireland Do Do	54.
Ald Anthony Do Do	2.
Ald Lamb Do Do	106.
[207] Ald Lozier Do Do	64.
Ald Coe do Do	98.
Ald Randolph do Do	10.
Ald Peters Do Do	12.
Ald Ostrander Do Do	110.
Ald Pittman Do Do	60.
Ald Schieffelin Do Do	6.
Ald Valentine Do Do	48.
Ald Woodruff Do Do	56.
R Riker Recorder 1 Qr Salary 1 Jany	375.
Wm S. Smith Collector City Revenue 1 Qur 22d Decr & charges	303.
J. G. Bogert Inspector of Hacks 1 Qr 2 Jany	200.
Jacob Hays High Constable 1 Qr 1 Jany	125.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall 1 Mo 1 Jany	77.50
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield " "	69.75
O Ayres Asst City Inspector " "	60.75
J Coffin Do " "	60.75
C Gillman Keeper of Battery " "	38.75
A McCready Keeper of Park " "	38.75

J J Shoemaker	St Inspector	1	Ward	1 Mo	1 Jany	46.50
T Woolcocks	"	2d	"	"		46.50
J. B Ebbetts	"	3d	"	"		46.50
N B Lyon	"	4th	"	"		46.50
I A Isaacs	"	5th	"	"		46.50
S Waddell	"	6th	"	"		46.50
B Fuller	"	7th	"	"		46.50
[208] Wm G Babb	"	8	"	"		46.50
H Mott	do	9	"	"		46.50
T Austin	Do	10	"	"		46.50
H Keyser	Do	11	"	"		46.50
D Hubbard	Do	13	"	"		46.50
B OConnor	Do	14	"	"		46.50
J Pinckney	Asst Board of Health			"	"	54.
A Parker	Do			"	"	54.
J Coffin	Asst City Inspr removing Nuisances			"	"	26.26
J Cox	Chief Engineer Salary to 8 Decr					151.11
J Bremner	Clerk Cath Market 1 Mo 1 Jany					62.
G Duryea	Do Fulton do			"	"	41.67
I Asten	sweeper do			"	"	46.19
J Seaman	Clerk Manhattan			"	"	31.
A Leggett	Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 28 Decr					138.69
National Advocate	Subscriptn 6 Mo 15 Decr					50.
R Provoost	painting & repairg Lamps 1 Month 1 Jany					272.54
G Snethen	Superdt Lamps 1 Qr Salary				"	187.50
G Snethen	Lightg Lamps 1 Mo				"	1692.68
J Macy & Son	22 Casks Oil					1001.07
J Colvill	Coroner 1 Qr 1 Jany					492.86
Danl D Smith	Stationary					54.50
John C Hamilton	reduction of Tax 3d Ward in 1827 Orderd 15 Decr					52.
A Burtis	Super Alms House & Clerks 1 Qur Salary 1 Jany					525.
I Wood	Physician Bellevue Hospital				" "	375.
J O Woodruff	Keeper Penitentiary & 3 Assts				" "	625.
[209] C Ives	late Clerk Alms House Salary to 8 April 1828					15.50
Geo Newbold	Atty for Geo Armstrong Awd wideng Madison fm Pike to Clinton St					2900.
T Cummings	bal reg 5 Avenue fm 11th to 13th St					1392.04
Estate of J Sloan	bal reg Greenwich Lane fm 6 Avenue to 13th St					822.76
T Cummings	flagg Side walks Hubert fm Greenwich to West St					442.14
Chs H Hall	on Actt ground bot for Market near 3d Avenue orderd 22d Decr					5000.
Nathl Davis	half Contract buildg Grand St Market					587.50
G Lovett	Atty for Wm Hockman 4th & last payt buildg Pier Greenwich Prison					3000.
J. P. Dietrich	selling 42 Lots for Assessments 15 Decr 1828					84.

Jas N Wells Treasr Northern Dispensary Ordered 15 Decr	200.	
A Burtis Superdt Alms House for buildg New Penitentiary Blackwells Island	2550.27	
Ald Mott expences relative to purchase of Blackwells Island	58.	
Bank for Savings Interest on Bond of $100,000 5 Mo 12 days to 1 Jany	2250.	
J Fleming to pay Interest on 6 pr Cents to be redeemed 2 Mo to 1 Jany 1829	9000.	40.167.03
	Balance	$14.625.34

The Minutes of the proceedings thus far were read and approved.

His Honor the Mayor then stated that the hour of 12 OClock had arrived at which time the newly elected Members of the Board were requested to attend to take the oaths prescribed by Law—He would therefore if the Board pleased proceed to that duty

The Clerk of the Common Council then [210] from the return of the Election made by Nicholas Dean Clerk of the City & County of New York called the names of the following gentlemen who were sworn by the Honbl William Paulding and who subscribed the oath of Office prescribed by Law in the presence of the Members of the Common Council Vizt

John Yates Cebra	Alderman	First Ward
James I Roosevelt Jr	Assistant	
William W Mott	Alderman	Second Ward
Jonathan Seymour	Assistant	
Samuel Stevens	Alderman	Third Ward
William Mandeville	Assistant	
Isaac Brown	Alderman	Fourth Ward
David Bryson	Assistant	
David Rogers	Alderman	Fifth Ward
Henry Arcularius	Assistant	
John Lozier	Alderman	Sixth Ward
George D Strong	Assistant	
William S Coe	Alderman	Seventh Ward
William Seaman	Assistant	
Benjamin M Brown	Alderman	Eighth Ward
William W Cowan	Assistant	
John R Peters	Alderman	Ninth Ward
James N Wells	Assistant	
Bernard J Meserole	Alderman	Tenth Ward
Thomas Jeremiah	Assistant	
[211] Jeremiah Dodge	Alderman	Eleventh Ward
Peter Pinckney	Assistant	
Gideon Lee	Alderman	Twelfth Ward
Peter Cooper	Assistant	

James Palmer	Alderman	Thirteenth Ward
John Lovett	Assistant	
Thomas T Woodruff	Alderman	Fourteenth Ward
Philip W Engs	Assistant	

The late Members of the Board then retired and the Members Sworn into Office took their seats and the Board was formed as follows

The Honb[l] William Paulding Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
John Lozier	George D Strong
William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	James N Wells
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Pinckney
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	Philip W Engs

[212] Alderman Coe moved that the Board now proceed to the Election of Mayor for the ensuing year which was agreed to.

The Mayor then observed that on former occasions, when his name was mentioned as a Candidate for the Office of Mayor he had requested permission to leave the Chair, but as at this time he was not a Candidate for that Office he would do himself the Honor of presiding at the Election.

The Mayor observed that if it was agreeable to the Board he would appoint Tellers to attend to the opening and counting of the Ballots, which being assented to, he appointed for that duty Alderman Coe & Alderman Brown

The Members then proceeded to Ballott for a person to fill the Office of Mayor, when on opening and Counting the Ballots it appeared that there were for

Walter Bowne	25 Votes
Philip Hone	1 Vote
Peter A Jay	1 Vote &

3 Blank Votes

Whereby it appeared that Walter Bowne had a majority of Votes and

the President declared Walter Bowne duly elected Mayor of the City of New York for the ensuing year.

[213] Alderman Coe then moved that a Committee be appointed to wait upon Mr Bowne and inform him of his Election which being agreed to the President appointed on that Committee. Aldermen Peters Rogers & Mr Seaman.

Mr Stevens moved that the Rules and Orders for regulating the proceedings of the Board as now established be adopted, which was agreed to.

He also moved that the Rules and orders be referred to the Law Committee to consider and Report whether any and if any what Amendments or additions were necessary to be made respecting the said Rules.

It was directed upon motion of Alderman Coe that the Staves of Office be furnished by the Superintendant of Repairs to those members of the Board who are not supplied with them.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next the 5th of January at 5 OClock P. M.

[214] In Common Council January 5th 1829

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
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William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	James N Wells
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Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Pinckney
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Chair was taken and the Board called to order by his Honor the Recorder. He stated to the Board that in consequence of a Domestic calamity in the family of Mr Paulding (the death of his daughter) Mr Bowne the Mayor elect had at the suggestion of [215] Mr Paulding taken the Oath of Office as Mayor before him the Recorder and several of the Aldermen on the 2d Inst in the Mayors Office—He then

read the oath which had been taken and subscribed by Mr Bowne— He added that Mr Bowne was in waiting and he suggested that a Committee be appointed to wait upon the Mayor elect and inform him the Common Council were in Session to receive him—It was proposed that the Committee who had been appointed to inform Mr Bowne of his Election be requested to wait upon him and introduce him into the Common Council Chamber—Accordingly Aldermen Peters, Rogers & Mr Seaman withdrew and in a few minutes returned with Mr Bowne into the Common Council Chamber. He was received by the Recorder and introduced to the Chair of the President when after being seated a few Moments, he rose and made the following address to the Common Council.

Gentlemen, Deeply impressed with the honor you have conferred upon me. I beg you will be pleased to accept my heartfelt acknowledgements for this testimony of your confidence, which I need not add, is grateful and flattering to me in the extreme.

In the great and various interests committed to our care, my co-operation shall always accompany you in every measure for the welfare of these interests, [216] whether in our capacity of agents, in the direction and management of the public property or as guardians in watching over the peace and tranquility of the City.

Having often observed, with great satisfaction, many instances of unwearied devotion to the public interest by gentlemen of the Common Council, I cannot doubt but that I shall find many of you annimated by the same spirit; so that your zeal and aid may always be confidently relied on.

My constant solicitude will be to advance the prosperity of our highly favoured City by every means compatable with the rights and interests of our fellow citizens, confident, by that course of conduct only, shall I be entitled to their approbation.

Among the various public duties that require your early attention, the great expense of paupers will show, that the poor Laws demands an early investigation; the whole system, perhaps wants revisal and amendment; and some means must be adopted to lessen the burthen on the industrious part of the community.

The education of youth, for which the state has done so much during the last thirty years, still wants reform: although much has been done, much remains yet to do; and when we reflect, that intelligence is the source of national wealth power and glory. I trust we shall not [217] be wanting in moral courage to make every

exertion for its further perfection, sensible that on its influence, mainly, depends the security of our republican institutions.

I shall most cordially concur with you in every measure of economy consistent with the general good; and I trust that much may be done. In the management of the fiscal affairs of a great City, however, the same maxims holds good as with an individual "Economy without parsimony and liberality without waste"

Numerous are the objects that require your serious and deliberate consideration; the Board have already brought forward some of them; others will follow at a proper time.

Among those of primary importance the following may be noticed.

Whether the Charter ought to be altered—and how?

Whether the mode of granting Licences shall be changed—and how.

The frequent occurrence and great losses by fires—for which a remedy is much wanted.

A full supply of water for all purposes is an object of the most vital importance to the health comfort and safety of the City; and I have the accomplishment of this great object much at heart.

Our whole faculties ought to be directed to [218] attain the inestimable advantage of an abundant supply of pure and wholesome water, that the poor may enjoy it free, and other citizens at moderate charge

The result of the late Election throughout the Union has given a new Tone and spirit to the public mind. The Patriot Hero whose faithful services have been too long neglected, is brought forward to preside over our national councils, from whose manly and independant mind, every thing great and good may be expected. The men who have faithfully sustained the best interests of their country, must again be placed in the fore-ground, and fill the stations to which their well tried integrity and talents entitle them, the open honest and manly spirit of the Jefferson administration will again give life and vigor to the energies of the Republic.

The prospect of a sound and honest republican administration in our own state is equally cheering. The distinguished individual elected to direct her councils, has given abundant proofs not only of his talents, which are of the first order, but of unwearied zeal matchless perseverance and endless devotion to the best interests of his fellow citizens. Harmonizing in feeling with the great majority of them we may confidently expect to see the State restored to the rank and importance [219] she ought to hold in the Union.

Fellow citizens in proceeding on our municipal duties let us never

forget that we are only agents in trust, for a limited period; that the discerning public who placed us here, to manage their affairs will scrutinize our conduct with a watchful eye, and have a right to call us to an account, may our conduct be always such as will satisfy ourselves that we have done our duty faithfully.

I cannot omit acknowledging in the most grateful manner, the kindness of my predecessor, in communicating to me many things relating to the discharge of the duties of this important office.

Trusting fellow Citizens that our united exertions may preserve, if not increase, the general prosperity of the City. May we never forget the respect we owe to the will of our Constituents the Sovereign People.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were then read and approved.

Mr Recorder then rose and after some prefatory observations presented the following Resolutions which were unanimously adopted

Resolved that the thanks of the Common Council be presented to the Honorable William Paulding [220] for the faithfull able and impartial manner in which for successive years he has discharged the high and important duties of Chief Magistrate of the City of New York.

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor be requested in behalf of this Common Council to transmit to Mr Paulding a Copy of the above resolution, with assurances of the high personal respect and esteem which the Members of this Board entertain for his Public and private virtues—And that the same be attested by the Clerk and authenticated under the Corporate Seal of the City.

The Comptroller presented an Account of Receipts and Payments for the year 1828 and an Account of the Commissioner of the Sinking Fund for the same period, which were referred to the Finance Committee and to be printed under their direction for the use of the Members.

A proposal was received from John Woodward Esqr to sell to the Corporation Ten Acres of ground owned by him a little above the Five mile stone between the 4th and 5th Avenues which was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial was also received from Mr Woodward stating that in April 1824 he purchased [221] Lot No 143 Common lands on which the Quit rent of Wheat reserved was entered on the Comptrollers Book as commuted for, that since that time, the entry of the Commutation has been erased from that Lot and carried to another Lot and praying relief was also referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition was received from the Trustees of the Public School Society of New York proposing that Provision be made for the extension of the Public Schools by laying a specific Tax for the purpose.

A Petition for the same purpose signed by a number of Citizens to the amount of between Three & Four thousand was also presented and on motion of Mr Roosevelt the Petitions were referred to a Special Committee, and the President appointed on that Committee Mr Roosevelt Ald Palmer Peters Lozier & Mr Seaman

On Motion the Finance Committee was added to the Committee.

A Petition of John B Ebbets to be re-appointed Street Inspector of the 3d Ward—of Samuel Waddell to be re-appointed Street Inspector [222] of the Sixth Ward—Of William G Babb to be re-appointed Street Inspector of the Eighth Ward Of Henry Keyser to be re-appointed Street Inspector of the Eleventh Ward—Of Daniel Hubbard to be re-appointed Street Inspector of the Thirteenth Ward & of Bernard OConner to be re-appointed Street Inspector of the Fourteenth Ward were severally read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Bellville Tompkins and Benjamin Rogers to be appointed Street Inspectors of the Second Ward—Of James Ebbitts to be appointed Street Inspector of the Fifth Ward—Of Thomas Smith & William H Sparks to be appointed Street Inspectors of the Sixth Ward—Of John Wynants Elnathan Spencer & John Martine to be appointed Street Inspectors of the Eighth Ward—Of Samuel Medler to be appointed Street Inspector of the 10th Ward—Of Andrew Parker Josiah Shippey Junr, John A See, Abraham Hatfield, Joseph Dodge, Jameson Cox Junr, Asa Gage, Adam Bross, Jonas Chandler, William Lockwood & Benjamin *Vodges* [Vogdes] to be appointed Street Inspectors of the Eleventh Ward—Of William B Errickson, Richard Vaugh, Benjamin Dunn, Thomas Stivers, William Adee Jr, Jacob Prout, Peter Field & Daniel Parker [223] to be appointed Street Inspectors of the Fourteenth Ward were severally read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John Bloodgood and of Samuel W Kelly to be appointed Street Inspectors of one *one* of the Wards of the City were read and referred to the Committee on Application for Office.

A Petition of John Dougherty, Amasa Hagar, Stephen Heustis, John Ryker, Stephen McInroy & Moran Dugan for the Office of Hack Inspector were severally read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Isaac Loofborrow, Ira Jones, Jedediah Willet, James

Wilsey & Jesse Reeves to be appointed Wood Inspectors were severally read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of William W Chardevoyne & Jeffry Reeve to be appointed Superintendant of Wharves Piers & Slips were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of James Stone and [224] David Cannon to be appointed Clerk of the Grand street Market—Of Cyrus Bedell, Abraham Jacques, Benjamin Hyatt, Abraham Acker, Joseph Neal, Hiram Coffin, Abraham Egberts, James Gilbert, James McClare, David Turvey, & Samuel Hutchings to be appointed Clerk of Clinton Market—Of William G King, Simon Fleet & William Darrant, to be appointed Clerks of the Centre Market, and of John McClennow to be appointed Clerk of Manhattan Market were severally read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Pullis, Ira Munson, Ebenezer Whiting, Gilbert C Hubbard, for the Office of Captain & Assistant of the 2d District Watch and of Robert Baird for the Office of Captain of 1st Watch District were severally read and referred to the Watch Committee.

A Petition of Thomas P Wendover Hugh Knox, Henry Luke Jr & Henry Sickles for the Office of Keeper of the Washington Parade Ground were severally read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Charles Reinold for the Office of Keeper of the Park was read and [225] referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Asahel Langworthy to be appointed Assistant Justice for the 12th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Richard Ritter and of David Kizer to be appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of David Board and John Killey for the Office of Measure[r]s of Grain were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Hugh Farrell to be appointed Weighmaster for the Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Aaron Sargent to be appointed Auctioneer to the Corporation was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Samuel Cowdrey [226] and a number of others to

have the Butchers stands continued at the junction of Bowery and 2d Streets for the present was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Luke Kip and others to have Sixth street continued from Broadway to the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of Thomas Franklin Register of the City and County of New York requesting further security may be made against Fire in the Room assigned for the Registers Office, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices and Committee on Repairs.

A Petition of Richard Ward to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of John Davis to be partially relieved from an Assessment on his personal property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Peter Lorrillard to be [227] relieved from the payment of a Fine for Keeping manure on his premises contrary to Law, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of George W Smock for the Stall No 31 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

An Application of the Treasurer of the City Dispensary for the usual Annual Donation of $500 Dollars was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Ann Bogart for an extension of time to pay the Assessment on her property the opening Avenue D was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Burling praying that the opening of 5th Avenue and 15th Street may be postponed was read laid on the Table. Afterwards called up and referred to the Street Committee and the Alderman & Assistant of the 12th Ward.

A Memorial of the Managers of the Asylum for lying in Women soliciting, from the Corporation pecuniary Aid for that establishment [228] was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of sundry Inhabitants of the 13th Ward against the reappointment of D Hubbard as Street Inspector of said Ward and complaining of the conduct of said Inspector, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Nathaniel Prime praying to have a Gore of land fronting on 79th Street presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed Peti-

tion of Nathaniel Prime in relation to a Gore of Land belonging to the Corporation lying between his land and Seventy ninth Street.

Respectfully Report.

That Mr Prime having agreed to pay the valuation set upon this Gore of ground, by your Committee, they recommend to the Common Council to sell the same to him at the price agreed on viz $139.8/100 and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Gore of land fronting on 79th Street adjoining the property of Nathaniel Prime be disposed of to him [229] for the sum of $139.8/100 and that the Counsel be directed to prepare the necessary Deed for that purpose, he paying the expences thereof—And that the same be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
William W Mott
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Assessors to whom was referred back the Assessment for building a Bulk head across Delancy Slip, together with a Petition against said Assessment presented the following Report

The Petition to the Honorable the Common Council, of the owners & Lessees of Houses & Lots of ground on Delancy street & its vicinity &c relative to the Assessment for building a Wharf & filling in the Slip at the foot of Delancy street, having been referred back to the undersigned who made the Assessment complained of in said Petition and they having taken the same into consideration & on mature reflection, are of the opinion that the assessment has been made as judiciously as the nature of the case would admit of, because we did not ground the Assessment on the distance whence the Water might be carried into the said Slip, but by the distance within which we conceived the owners & Lessees of property would be benefitted, by having a good and convenient [230] Wharf & Slip for the accommodation of Market Boats & Vessels which would of course be the means of increasing bussiness in that vicinity and thereby enhance the value of said property.

We were guided in this Assessment also by the same principle which had governed us in former, and exactly simular Assessments & particularly in one not far distant from Delancy Slip, with the exception, that in the latter we carried the Assessment one block higher towards the Bowery than in the former—Thus it will be seen that the

Petitioners have mistaken the principle which governed the Assessors in this Assessment—Viz

The enhancement in the value of property by facilitating and increasing bussiness in consequence of the above mentioned improvements and not the mere negative benefit of carrying off the water from the Bowery into the said Slip, for this water would be carried off whether or not said Slip was filled in. We therefore, are of the opinion that further surveys & Map Collectors & Assessors fees &c &c would be attended with considerable expense without in the least benefitting or diminishing the expense to the said Petitioners.

A Coffin Junr }
Abm Bloodgood } Assessors

Which was approved, Whereupon the Street Com- [231] missioner presented the Assessment for the same which was Confirmed and Morris D Camp appointed Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for re-paving Pump street from the Bowery to Ludlow street Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Thomas Cottrell to Collect the same.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No	1.	Wm Philips	Owner	No 9	Leonard St	A Privy
	2.	H Camerdon	Do	6	Do	Do
	3.	A S Roe	Do	13	Do	Do
	4.	J Fordham	Do	16	Do	Do
	5.	M Blauvelt	Do	18	Do	Do
	6.	L Martin	Lessee	20	Do	Do
	7.	G Dixon	owner	23	Do	Do
	8.	M Moulton	Do	25	Do	Do
	9.	J Ordroneaux	Do	26.	Do	Do
	10.	Do	Do	30	Do	Do
	11.	J. P Winick	Do	31	Do	Do
	12.	M Baxter	Lessee	32	Do	Do
	13.	J [T] F Popham	Owner	33	Do	Do
	14	[232] M Baxter	Do	39	Do	Do
	15.	Wm Westervelt	Agent	42	Do	Do
	16.	G Fowler	Do	50	Do	Do
	17.	J C Van Aulen	owner	51.	Do	Do
	18.	J Whitman	Do	52	Do	Do
	19.	Do	Do	56	Do	Do
	20.	G Collins	Agent	62	Do	Do

21. E Burrows	owner	80½ Hudson	A Privy
22. C Taylor	Do	140 Greenwich	Do
23. M Baxter	Do	113 Chapel St	Do
24. P Martin	Agent	29 Anthony	Do
25. J Cherry	owner	33 Do	Do
26. J Elliott	do	34 Do	Do
27. J Lynn	Do	37 Do	Do
28. E Elmendorf	Do	39 Do	Do
29. S Rich	Do	41 Do	Do
30. J Cooper	Do	43. Do	Do
31. E Tankard	Do	51. Do	Do
32. Rich & Cooper	Do	53 Do	Do
33. J S Marks	Do	55 Do	Do
34. F Acker	Do	57 Do	Do
35. B Romaine	Do	63 Do	Do
36. J Dewitt Stout	Do	2d Street	A Lot

Geo Cuming
City Inspector

Which were passed

[233] The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen—The resignations were accepted and the appointments made.

Fire Engine Co
No 11

Richardson Van Dewater—Resigned on Account of ill health
Frederick M Heimberger—Expelled for neglect of duty

No 13

Stephen D Thorne Accountant 174 Division St
Vc Joseph Polack Resigned
Edward Franklin Accountant 296 Broome St
Vc Nathan Palmer Expelled
John W Shipley—Accountant Cor Bowery & Hester St
Vc Robert H Haydock. Resigned

No 32

Samuel Cox Clerk 68 Chrystie St
Vc Caleb Odell—Left the City

No 47

Edward Welch, Ship Carpenter 141 Madison St
Mathew Van Deusen do 113 Willet St
Hiram Perry Carman 10th Street
} Appointed to fill the Company

Fire Hook & Ladder Co
No 3

Andrew Henderson Painter 61 Charlton St

Vc Jacob Morris—Resigned

[234] His Honor the Mayor appointed the following Standing Committees for the current year.

1. Applications to the Legislature
Alderman Lee
Mott
Mr Roosevelt
Ald Palmer
Mr Cowan

2. Applications for Office
Ald Lozier
Coe
Peters

3. Arts & Sciences
Mr Cooper
Jeremiah
Ald Lozier

4. Assessments
Ald Meserole
Mr Strong
Arcularius
Seymour
Lovett

5. Canals
Ald Woodruff
Mr Mandeville
Arcularius
Engs
Strong

6. Charity
Ald B M Brown
Dodge
Palmer

7. Ferries
Ald Cebra
Dodge
Mott

8. Finance
Mr Seaman
Ald Peters
Mott
Lee
Rogers

9. Fire Department
Ald I. Brown
Palmer
Mr Engs
Ald Stevens
Mr Pinckney

10. Lamps
Ald Coe
Mr Arcularius
Mr Wells

[235] 11. Laws
Mr Roosevelt
Ald Stevens
Mr Cowan
Seaman
Ald Lee

12. Lands & Places
Ald Mott
Mr Wells
Cooper
Ald Lozier
Mr Cowan

13. Markets
Ald Cebra
Dodge
Mr Seaman
Ald Meserole
B M Brown

14 Police
Ald Stevens
Mr Bryson
Engs
Strong
Seymour

15 Public Offices
Mr Wells
Mandeville
Ald Rogers
Mr Jeremiah
Bryson

16. Repairs
Ald Woodruff
Mr Mandeville
Ald Dodge

17. Roads
Ald Lee
Meserole
I Brown
Cebra
Mr Lovett

18. Streets
Ald Lozier
Woodruff
Coe
Peters
Dodge

19. Watch
Mr Bryson
Seaman
A[l]d Dodge
Mr Engs
Pinckney

[236] 20. Wharves Piers & Slips
Ald Peters
I. Brown
Woodruff
Rogers
Mr Lovett

21. To regulate the cleaning of Streets
Mr Bryson
Mandeville
Seymour
Strong
Ald Palmer
Coe

Special Committees

1. Water
The Mayor
Recorder
Mr Roosevelt
Cooper
Cowan

2. Jail & Bridewell
Ald Stevens
Mr Jeremiah
Ald Lozier
Mr Pinckney
Ald B M Brown

No 3 Bellevue & Blackwells Island
Ald Mott
Woodruff
Mr Wells
Cooper
Roosevelt
Ald I Brown
Mr Jeremiah

The Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of Judge Simpson forwarding a Request of the Governor of New Jersey that the Common Council would aid in [237] procuring an Account of the amount of Tonnage between New York & Philadelphia &c &c presented the following Report.

The Special Committee to whom was referred a Communication from the Governor of the State of New Jersey, requesting information in relation to the Coasting Trade between the Port of New York, and the Ports on the Delaware River, and also in relation to the Trade between New York and the Ports on the Chesapeake Bay.

Report.

That the information being asked for in reference to the construction of a Canal between the Hudson and Delaware usually called the Rariton Canal, your Committee has given the subject the consideration which great national improvements should always excite.

Your Committee found it difficult to obtain the information required, with that accuracy which is particularly desirable on statistical subjects and this difficulty has mainly arisen from coasting Vessels not being required (excepting under particular circumstances) to clear out or enter at the Custom House—With this embarrassment in the way of procuring information from the Custom House, your Committee was driven to employ an Agent, and they engaged Mr John J Boyd of the House of Crassons & Boyd to collect in the most authentic possible manner the information required

[238] By the communication to your Committee from the agent referred to (which is annexed to this report) and which Your Committee think may be relied upon, it appears that the tonnage engaged in the coasting trade from New York to Philadelphia, during the last year, and actually filled and occupied was 18.000 Tons; that the tonnage in like manner filled and occupied passing from New York to the Chesapeake amounted to 55.000 Tons; and that the tonnage so filled and occupied passing from Philadelphia to New York amounted to 38.000 tons; while that from the Chesapeake to New York amounted to 100.000 tons making the aggregate of merchandise passing annually between Philadelphia and New York 56.000 Tons and that between the Chesapeake and New York 155,000 tons; and the total amount passing between New York and both the Chesapeake and Delaware 211.000 tons. The above is exclusive of Merchandize carried over land, and does not of course include any of the produce of New Jersey

Your Committee cannot conclude their Report, without expressing the interest which they feel in the undertaking, and their wishes for a speedy and successful completion of the Rariton Canal. To say that our own City is deeply interested in this undertaking, is but to say what [239] all would admit. To say that it is a great national improvement no one will deny, for the Chesapeake and Delaware Canals being complete, this Canal will afford to Virginia and all the States north of it, to Massachusetts, an inland water navigation, more secure than the outward passage, and between some points, the most convenient even in time of peace, while it will afford to them the only coasting navigation, which in times of war with any great naval power, they can expect to enjoy for some years yet to come.

As a means of defence—we must compare the transportation of Cannon and munitions of War, by teams, over the roads in the Southern states, and through New Jersey, with the facilities this Canal would afford of transporting them by water from any of the ports of the Chesapeake to Philadelphia, through the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, and thence to New York through the Delaware and Rariton Canal, and thence to New England through the sound, making in all an inland navigation on the Atlantic border of about Five hundred miles.

To the Pennsylvanians the proposed Canal would furnish another ship harbour and Market, nearer than her own to the Ocean and always accessible from the sea.

To our neighbours of New Jersey the proposed Canal cannot fail to be highly advantageous.

[240] It would open a Cheap and convenient transportation for the agricultural productions of the part of the State through which it will pass, and particularly for the vegetables, fruits, butter and meats, for which our markets are so extensively indebted to her. In addition to these advantages, your Committee cannot doubt that the Canal will be a source of revenue to that State and that it will not fail to add to her relative consequence and importance with her neighbouring States.

The only possible feature of objection to the construction of a Canal so vital to the interests of several states, is the fact, that its concerns will be placed exclusively under the management and control of a Company, or at best, of a single State, and thus the trade and navigation of many states will become tributary to the tolls and exactions which a Company or an individual state may think fit to enforce. But this is an evil not susceptible of remedy, and all we can hope for is, that the State of New Jersey will retain the monopoly of this Water navigation, rather than grant it to any company of individuals.

Your Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor communicate to the Governor of the State of New Jersey, in reply to his communication, the [241] whole or such parts of the above Report and Letter from M^{r} John J Boyd as he may deem expedient

All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
William S Coe
William W Mott

Whereupon the Resolution was adopted, and the Report and accompanying paper directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Comptroller presented his Annual Account of Receipts and Expenditures of the year 1828 together with the Account of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund which were referred to the Finance Committee and to be printed under their direction.

Alderman I Brown agreeably to notice given at the last Meeting moved that the Board reconsider the Vote on the Report of the Street Committee upon the Petition respecting the grounds between 13th & 21st Streets—The question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative—After some consideration a motion was made to refer the Report together with the Petition of Thomas Burling presented at this Meeting to the Street Committee and the Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward—The question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative and they were referred accordingly.

[242] Upon Motion of Alderman I Brown the Clerk was directed to furnish to the Members of the Board the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department on the subject of establishing Hydrants

Alderman Lee presented the following which was adopted.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council furnish each Member with a Copy of the Laws of the State as heretofore collated, and affecting or particularly relating to this City—Also in a pamphlet form Copies of all such Laws Ordinances or Amendments together with any Resolutions having the character or force of Law, which may have passed the Common Council since the 14th of May 1827

Aldermen Peters moved that the Remonstrance of John Lang & Augustus Fleming and also of sundry Electors of the First Ward against the late Charter Election held in said Ward be called up which was agreed to—He then moved that it be referred to a Special Committee which was also agreed to and the President appointed on that Committee—Aldermen Peters Mott Lozier Dodge & Mr Seaman.

[243] Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council make out and deliver to the Alderman and Assistant of the First Ward authenticated Copies of the Memorial presented by John B Thorp and others together with the Affidavits accompanying the same in relation to the late Charter Election

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Act[t] 29 Dec[r]	$14.625.34
Rec[d] for Loan of Savings Bank	200.000.
" Part of Loan of $300,000	79.500.
" Tax of 1828	8.300.
" Justices Courts	383.56
" Superior Court fees	306.25
" Mayoralty fees	39.
" Intelligence Offices	25.
	$303.179.15
1 Account Audited & directed to be paid	
Mechanics Bank for 15 Bonds	263.600.
Balance	$39.579.15

The Board then Adjourned to Monday next the regular Meeting at 5 O Clock P. M.

[244] In Common Council 12th January 1829

Present The Honb[l] Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
John Lozier	George D Strong
William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	Thomas Jeremiah
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Pinckney
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Cooper
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

Upon Motion of Alderman Stevens the Title of the Special Committee as appointed [245] on the 5th Instant as Bellevue & Blackwells Island was changed to that of "Blackwells Island Committee."

A Petition of Frederick Girard praying to be appointed to the Office of City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Joseph L Lewis praying to have Wall street re-numbered was read and referred to the Superintendant of Repairs.

A Petition of N B Holmes praying to be appointed Stationer to the Corporation was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Gerard Lathrop to have an Error in his Assessment corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Abraham D Brinckerhoof and James K Roe to be appointed to the Office of Wood Inspectors, And also a Recommendation for the Appointment of Jesse Reeves to the Office of Wood Inspector were severally read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

[246] A Remonstrance of George Lorillard and others against altering the name of Orange street to that of Congress street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Rodgers Junr to be appointed to the Office of Regulator of Public Clocks was read and referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences.

A Petition of the Humane Society for the usual Donation from the Corporation was read and referred to the Charity Committee.

A Petition of John Myer, Thomas Howard and John Gillelan to be appointed to the Office of Clerk of Clinton Market—Of James Minor and John M Devoy to be appointed Clerk of the Grand Street Market—And also a Recommendation in favor of appointing George A Smith Clerk of Franklin Market were severally read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John Durand to be appointed to the Office of Street Inspector of the 8th Ward, of Abraham Florentine to be appointed Street Inspector of the 6th Ward—And also of [247] Horatio Mott for re-appointment to the Office of Street Inspector of the 9th Ward, were severally read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Remonstrance of a number of Butchers in the Centre Market against the Petition of Samuel Cowdrey & others to have the Butchers remain at the junction of Bowery and 2d Streets was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Frazee Connet and also of Isaac C Osborn for the Office of Keeper of Washington Parade, were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of G. P Rogers and others praying that Southampton Road from the 8th Avenue to 15th Street may be closed was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Alexander Underhill for Stall N° 3 Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of James Reeves and James Reeves Jun^{r} to purchase a Gore of Land on Troy street formerly belonging to them was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[248] A Petition of Nathaniel Jackson and others praying that 12th Street may be opened from the Bowery to Broadway was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants praying to have the expences of Public Cisterns rateably assessed on the different Wards was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A Petition of John Gooderson for the Office of Captain of the 2^{d} District Watch was read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition of Eleazer Hall for the Office of Sealer of Weights and Measures was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of John W Innes and others praying that the Butchers may be removed from the Bowery, was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Peter Ogilvie Jun^{r} to be appointed Collector of Assessments was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

[249] A Memorial of Henry F Blackwell for the extension of his Lease of Hurl Gate Ferry was read and referred to the Ferry Committee

A Memorial of A Treman & Thomas Kinnersly for indemnification for injuries caused by the inundation of their Lands near 19th Street and 5th Avenue—Also a Remonstrance of the owners of Lands between 13th & 21st Streets relative to filling up and regulating said Grounds were read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Amos Lay praying that the Board will purchase from him a New Map of the United States published in 1827 and revised for 1829 was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences.

A Petition of Benjamin Rouse to Lease a small Gore of Land in Nassau Street near Maiden Lane was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Richard P Lawrence to be appointed Inspector of Hacks was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Communication from the Society for [250] the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents inviting the Corporation to visit the Establishment on Teusday the 20th Instant, Was read and Accepted.

His Honor the Mayor stated that agreeably to the direction of the Board he had transmitted to the Governor of New Jersey the Report of the Special Committee on the subject of his request for the Common Council to aid in procuring an account of the Amount of Tonnage between Philadelphia & New York &c &c

The following Letter from the Honbl William Paulding late Mayor was received, read and directed to be entered on the Minutes and filed.

City of New York 7th January 1829

Sir

I have had the honour to receive your note of yesterday, and the accompanying Resolutions of the Common Council of the 5th instant; in which, while the Members of the Board express their approbation of our official conduct, as Mayor of the City of New York, they tender to me assurances of their high personal respect, and esteem.

For these flattering testimonials of the favourable opinion of the Corporation, and for [251] the many other, distinguished, proofs I have received of their kindness and confidence, allow me the gratification, Sir, of offering to them my profound & grateful acknowledgments.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my
respectful consideration
Wm Paulding

To His Honor Walter Bowne
Mayor of the City of New York.

The Finance Committee to whom had been referred the Petition of John Gallagher for an extra Compensation for digging a Well in the Bowery near Hester street presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of John Gallagher, who prays for an extra compensation for digging a Well in the Bowery near Hester street

Your Committee can see no good or sufficient reason for allowing any compensation beyond the Contract price to the Petitioner, and they therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
[252] William W Mott
David Rogers
John R Peters
Gideon Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopt*ion*[ed].

The Finance Committee to whom had been referred the Petition of John Williams for the balance due him for regulating a part of Tenth street according to his contract presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report on the within Petition of John Williams for a balance of Money due him for regulating a part of Tenth Street, according to his contract, This request your Committee deem to be reasonable, and such being also the opinion of the Street Commissioner; The following Resolution is respectfully submitted.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner apply for a Warrant for the amount that he may find to be due to John Williams on the contract for regulating a part of Tenth street

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
David Rogers
[253] John R Peters
Gideon Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Special Committee consisting of the Street Committee and the Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward to whom was referred the Report of the Street Committee on subject of relief to the owners of property between 13th & 21st Streets, the 6th Avenue and the Bloomingdale Road presented a Report which was read and after some consideration was laid on the Table.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No 1.	Jn[o] E West	Executor	No 384	Broadway	A privy
2.	Do	Do	386	Do	Do
3.	T[s] Kane	Occup[t]	115	Canal S[t]	Do
4.	Ch[s] Wilkes	owner	117	Do	Do
5.	Do	Do	119	Do	Do
6.	W[m] G Bucknor	Do	121	Do	Do
7.	J Hatfield	Do	123	Do	Do
8.	S Lozier	Do	61	Chapel S[t]	Do
9	R[d] Kidney	Do	79	Do	Do
10	S Tiebout	Do	80	Do	Do
11.	[254] J *Plate* [Plet]	Do	96	Do	Do
12.	M Baxter	Do	110	Do	Do
13.	J Savage	Do	120	Do	Do
14.	W & G Post	Do	134	Do	Do
15.	S Bloomfield	Do	140	Do	Do
16.	S[l] Dixon	Do	142	Do	Do
17.	J Stiles	Do	150	Do	Do
18.	T T Harrison	Do	182	Do	Do
19.	J McMurry	Do	190	D	Do
20.	E Meriam	Do	192	Do	Do
21.	J Hatfield	Do	194	Do	Do
22.	Do	Do	196	Do	Do
23.	J T Harrison	Do		C[h]apel Cor York	Do
24.	P Durando	Do	101	Church S[t]	Do
25.	J[s] G Clark	Do	102	do	Do
26.	J Harrington	Executor	106	Do	Do
27.	R Hudson	owner	108	Do	Do
28.	S Conover	Agent	114	Do	Do
29.	Bulon & Ordroneaux	do	116	Do	Do
30.	Do	Do	118	Do	Do
31.	J Adams	Lessee	161	Do	Do
32.	G Sutton	owner	183	Do	Do
33.	M Concklin	Do	187	Do	Do
34.	W Pinckney	Do	202	Do	Do
35.	J Griffen	Do	203	Do	Do
36.	D[l] Day	Do	206	Do	Do
37.	B M Brown	Do	209	Do	Do
38.	[255] J Styles	Do	210	Do	Do
39.	M Flanagan	Do	215	do	Do
40.	J[s] G Jacobus	Do	217	Do	Do
41.	C[s] Helms	Do	218	Do	Do
42.	M Kitchell	Do	219	Do	Do
43.	G Concklin	Do	232	Do	Do
44.	P Lorillard	Do	234	Do	Do
45.	Do	Do	236	Do	Do
46.	E Ruckle	Do	63	Chapel S[t]	Do
47.	W[m] Westervelt	Agent	73	do	Do

48.	Jn° R Livingston	owner	74 Chapel S[t]	A privy
49.	W[m] Westervelt	Agent	75 D°	D°
50.	Jn° R Livingston	owner	76 Chapel S[t]	D°
51.	W[m] Westervelt	Agent	77. D°	D°
52.	L Moore	owner	31 Lispinard S[t]	D°
53.	M Banker	D°	8 Leonard S[t]	D°
54.	P Sharpe	D°	53 d°	D°
55.	F[s] Caille	D°	56 D°	D°
56.	D°	D°	60 D°	D°
57.	E Smith	D°	67 D°	D°
58.	M Green	D°	2 Provoost	D°
59.	J M[c]Grigor	D°	4 D°	D°
60.	S Cornish	D°	6 Varick	D°
61.	E B Loomis	D°	9 York	D°
62.	W[m] D Murphy	D°	11 D°	D°
63.	J Hatfield	D°	13 D°	D°
64.	W[m] D Murphy	D°	15 D°	D°
65.	[256] J Hatfield	D°	17 Varick	D°
66.	G[t] Storm	do	Broadway	A Lot
67.	M[rs] Field	D°	D°	D°

George Cuming
City Inpector

Which were read and passed.

The following Return was received from the Chief Engineer, which was read the Resignations accepted and Appointments made Viz[t]

Fire Engine C°

N° 19

Joseph W Abrams—House Carpenter 90 Mott S[t]

V[c] Joseph W Abrams—Resigned

N° 21

James C Willet—Tin Plate Worker 90 Beekman S[t]

V[c] Thomas Thomas Time Expired

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for regulating & paving Avenue D from North street to 100 feet North of 8[th] Street—Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to Morris D Camp to collect the same.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed [257] and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For building and filling the Bulk head across Spring street Basin and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For a Well and Pump in Troy street near Asylum Street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector

For a Well and Pump in Columbia street near Stanton street and Nicholas C Everitt appointed Collector.

For repaving Duane Street from Greenwich to Washington street and Morris D Camp appointed Collector.

The Annual Return and Statement of the Public Administrator for the year 1828 was received and referred to the Finance Committee.

The Annual Report from the Rev[d] John Stanford of his religious duties performed at the Bellevue establishment &c was received & was referred to the Committee on Public Offices and [directed] to be printed for the use of the Members, with directions also to report the compensation to be allowed to M[r] Stanford for his services.

[258] M[r] Recorder presented the following Resolutions which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved that the Common Council of the City of New York, have heard with deep emotions of sorrow and regret, of the death of M[rs] Jackson the consort of our distinguished fellow citizen Major General Andrew Jackson.

Resolved that as a testimonial of public respect for the memory of the deceased, and to mark our deference for her domestic virtues, her benevolence and her piety, It is ordered by the Board that the condolence of the Common Council be communicated to General Jackson with assurances that the City of New York shares with him in all his grief for the heavy bereavement with which it has pleased the Almighty to afflict him.

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor be, and hereby is requested to cause an authenticated copy of the preceding resolutions to be transmitted to General Jackson, and to assure him that the Corporation of the City of New York continue to entertain for his public and private virtues, the highest respect.

Alderman Peters moved that the Resolutions presented by him on the 8[th] December last relative to a re-organization of the Common [259] Council &c be now called up for the purpose of referring the same to a Committee. The question being taken on the Motion it passed in the Negative.

M[r] Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

Resolved that the Committee on applications to the Legislature be instructed to enquire if any and what further legal provision is

necessary to prevent trespasses on Real estate in the City of New York.

Alderman Lee presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that Sixth Avenue be paved from Sixth to Thirteenth street as soon as may be, and that a plank trunk be so placed on the line of Thirteenth street and of such capacity as will deliver the Water from the inundation above thirteenth street on to the paved surface of Sixth Avenue & to report the expence.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was agreed to.

Resolved that the Special Committee to whom was referred the Memorials on the subject of laying a Special Tax for the purpose of increasing the number of Public Schools be and they are hereby [260] authorized and instructed to employ some fit and proper person at an expence not exceeding Fifty dollars to procure a correct estimate of the number of Children in this City between the ages of 5 and 15 years at present attending regularly any school whether Public or private and to designate seperately such as only attend Sunday Schools.

Alderman Palmer presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

Resolved, that it be expedient to adopt some method more economical in relation to the expenditure of the Street Inspectors.

Mr Engs presented the following which was referred to a Special Committee.

Resolved that so much of the address of his Honor the Mayor as relates to the support of Paupers be referred to a Select Committee. His Honor appointed on that Committee Mr Engs Ald Palmer Mr Wells Mr Strong Mr Cowan

[261] Alderman Coe presented the following which was referred to the Committee on applications to the Legislature.

Resolved that the Committee on Applications to the Legislature be requested to renew their application made at their last Session, to have the Fire limits extended in the Seventh Ward.

Alderman Peters presented the following which was referred to the Lamp Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Lamps to cause the Streets in the 9th Ward and other parts of the City to be lighted.

Alderman I Brown moved that the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department on the communication of the Chief Engineer relative to placing Hydrants in the Street, made on the 15th December last be now called up for the purpose of being referred back to the same Committee—The question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative, And the Report was accordingly referred back to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that the Committee on the [262] subject of the Election in the First Ward, Report at the next Meeting of the Board.

Alderman Rogers presented the following which was referred to a Special Committee

Resolved that a Special Committee be appointed to examine and Report whether any alterations ought to be mad[e] in the Quarantine Laws of the City.

His Honor the Mayor appointed on that Committee Alderman Rogers Stevens Mr Seaman Strong Ald Lee

Alderman Cebra presented a deposition made by Orrin Rowley on subject of the late Election of First Ward and detailing attempts to influence by bribing his Vote at the Election in favor of Mr John Lang a Candidate for the Office of Alderman in said Ward—The same having been read was referred to the Special Committee on the Remonstrance of John Lang & others against the late Election in said Ward

[263] The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Acct 5th Inst	$39.579.15
Recd for Tax of 1828	25.600.
" " Streets	4.812.70
" " Rents	908.88
" " Justices Courts	477.40
" " Fines of Attorney	438.60
" " Tavren Licences	390.
" " Wells & Pumps	128.
" " Mayoralty fees	22.
	$72.356.73

82 Accounts Audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart—Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Hibberd do 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring do 3d "	945.
Wm Paulding late Mayor 1 Qr Salary 2d Jany	750.
R Graves St Comr 1 Qr do 1 Jany	500.
J Sidell First Marshall 1 Qr do 1 Jany	225.
A T Goodrich 22 Maps of the City	110.

J Morton Clerk C Council for Hack Acts &c..... 91.75
Robt Phillips Sunday Service 7 Ward 47 days to 5 Jany 70.50
J Thomas & B Robinson do 11 Ward 5 days to 1 Decr 15.
J Nixon do 10 Ward 9 days to 1 Jany 13.50
Thos Cornell do 14 Ward 8 days to 5 Jany 12.00
H C Porter Do 13 Ward 4 days to 1 Jany 6.
J Ahern engrossing Book of Tavren Licences Mayors Office 26.
[264] Chas H Hall bal in full for ground purchased for Market near 3d Avenue..... 15.000.00
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo 1 Jany..... 82.17
J Gilbert do 3 Markets " " ..... 65.
P Amerman do 3 do " " 54.50
R Smith do Franklin do " " 42.62
John Varick Watching & lighting at Grand St Market..... 5.
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 29 Decemr to 2d Jany..... 85.85
D. T. Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo 1 Jany..... 33.75
Enquirer Subscription 6 Months 6 Jany..... 50.
Statesmen do Do 1 Jany..... 50.
R Provoost painting Gas Posts..... 9.
Saml Judd 12 Casks Oil..... 850.08
J Dunn & Sons making & repairing Lamps 1 Qr 1 Jany.... 579.15
Joshua Gilbert Awd widening Madison fm Pike to Clinton St 4000.
Samuel L Mitchell do Do " " 1850.
Caleb Fordham Do Do " " 1600.
Mathew Comstock bal do Do " " 1145.
Frances Gifford Mortgagee on land H ONeil do " " 1049.28
Evert A Bancker Atty for H ONeil do " " 775.
Henry ONeil balance Award Do " " 275.
Azel Concklin award do " " 900.
Mary Coutant award Do " " 700.
Robert Philips bal do Do " " 650.
Margaret Thompson do Do " " 560.
Benjamin Gilmore do Do " " 475.
John Aikman Do Do " " 470.
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Kevan L Hommedieu do do " " 450.
Michael M Titus do do " " 450.
Hannah Cox Do Do " " 425.
James Quin Do Do " " 80.
Henry Rutgers Do Do " " 1.
J Flack & H Brevoort Atty for O McCabe Actt reg & pav Avenue D from North to near 8th St..... 1,263.46
H Spencer Atty for Abm Stagg Actt reg & pav 4th St fm Bowery to 1st Avenue..... 600.
R Pettigrew Actt reg & pav Henry fm Oliver to Rutgers St 500.
P. Smith Actt reg & pav Water fm Market to Rutgers St.. 400.
J Mehan Actt repav Pump fm Bowery to Ludlow St..... 400.

S Fargay Act^{t} repav Pearl fm Chatham to Cross S^{t}	350.	
P. Smith paving Avenue C fm North to 2^{d} S^{t}	215.24	
J Slidell & Associates Com^{rs} fees &c widening Liberty S^{t} fm Broadway to near William Street	672.	
P. Stagg & Associates Com^{rs} fees &c Openg 15th S^{t} fm Bowery to 3^{d} Avenue	250.	
S Purdy & Associates Com^{rs} fees &c Openg 122^{d} S^{t} fm 3^{d} Avenue to E River	182.96	
Thos R Ludlum Surveys &c 1 Q^{r} 1 Jan^{y}	171.34	
Isaac T Ludlum do D^{o} D^{o}	113.11	
Daniel Ewen D^{o} D^{o} D^{o}	203.17	
Anthony M Hoffman do D^{o} D^{o}	7.33	
Francis P Vidal D^{o} D^{o} "	38.34	
H Smith paving & flagging Side walks front Engine Houses	146.08	
H Cochran repairs of Accepted Streets 1st & 3^{d} Wards	59.56	
J. C. Tucker repairs Culverts Canal & other Streets	35.56	
P. Smith Repairs Accepted Street 7 & 9 Wards	33.24	
S. Fargay Repairs Intersections 5th Ward	22.58	
P. M^{c}Glinn in full for Well Chrystie near Stanton S^{t}	111.50	
[266] D Harron for Well Crosby bn Prince & Houston Street	109.	
J. Gallagher Jun^{r} 2^{d} pay^{t} Well Bowery near Hester S^{t}	41.	
J Gallagher Jun^{r} for Well Lewis b Broome & Delancy S^{t} removed	36.50	
J Gallagher Jun^{r} 1st pay^{t} Well Hudson n Perry S^{t}	26.	
E Youmans bal Well 13th S^{t} near 6th Avenue	2.	
Wm W Chardavoyne Superg building Clinton Market 79 days to 1 Jan^{y}	197.50	
T Cumings reg & pav West S^{t} front on Greenwich Prison	1877.21	
Ch^{s} E Denyse return Costs Lot 8 Liberty S^{t} sold 13th Oct^{r} 1828 & redeemed	7.	
John Shotwell in full of Arrears of Taxes on Property in Maiden Lane 1st Ward	100.	
Lindley Murray Treas^{r} City Dispensary	500.	
Ja^{s} Blackwell Interest on Bond 1 Q^{r} 15 Jan^{y}	277.50	
John W Hardenbrook Interest on Bond 6 Mo 15 Jan^{y}	375.	
Mechanics Bank Interest on Bonds to 1 Jan^{y} in full	9507.27	
A Burtis Super Alms House Allowance on Money expended in Erecting New Penitentiary Ordered 25 Dec^{r}	313.75	
A Burtis Super Alms House for New Penitentiary	6000.	
A Burtis do for Alms House	5000.	68.004.80
		$4351.93

Board then adjourned to Monday the 26th January at 5 O Clock P. M

[267] In Common Council January 26th 1829

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistant
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	David Bryson
Isaac Brown	Henry Arcularius
David Rogers	George D Strong
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	William W Cowan
Benjamin M Brown	James N Wells
John R Peters	Thomas Jeremiah
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Pinckney
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Cooper
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Benjamin Rogers and also of Adonijah Moody for the Office of Deputy [268] Clerk of the Fulton Market were read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the Butchers of Fulton Market praying to have the Small meat Butchers in the Country Market Regulated was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Benjamin Clapp praying to have an Error in his Assessment corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of A D Chamberlain for the Office of Measurer of Grain and Coal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Thomas Gender to be appointed Keeper of the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Isaac Hewlett for the Office of Clerk of the Clinton or other Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Calvin Spear for the privilege of constructing a Cellar under Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[269] A Petition of the Screw Dock Company for the passage of a Law to prevent other than Steam Boats coming to their Wharf was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Alexander Andrews praying to be released from a

Judgment against him for $25, for refusing to have his Weights & Measures Inspected was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Joseph D Smith for an extension of his District as a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Henry Johnson a Fireman praying to be restored to his place in Company N° 31 was read and referred to Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of the Land holders and Lessees in the vicinity of the Five Points to have the triangular block of buildings cleared off— formed by Cross Anthony and Little Water Streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Soloman Ingersoll to Lease a Lot of Land at the corner of Christopher & [270] West Streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Leggett to be appointed a City Weigher, and also of William Phillips for the Office of City Weigher were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Benjamin Hilton for the renewal of Lease corner of Chatham Street & Tryon Row, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Isaac Lawrence John Morss & others praying for the extension of the Fire Limits on the West side of Broadway to the River as far North as Spring Street was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department and Committee on Applications to the Legislature

A Petition of the Batchelors Club for the Loan of decorations for the Batchelors Ball was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs with powers

A Petition of William I[s]rael Jun^{r} [271] to be appointed a Measurer of Coal & Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Application for Office

A Petition of James Dickenson praying to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for allowing his Stage to stand at the Corner of Nassau and Pine street was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of P Simmons and others praying that the Collection of Assessments for building and filling the Bulk head at the foot of Spring Street may be delayed, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John P Roome for remuneration of expences

incurred in conveying Prisoners to Sing Sing Prison was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Charles Henry Hall & others praying to have Mulberry street paved from Prince to Bleecker street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Messrs Kip & Brown [272] for the remission of a Fine for allowing their Stage to stand at the Corner of Nassau & Pine Street contrary to Law was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Garret Snedecker & number of others Boatmen and Quarreymen praying that a Law may be passed regulating the Measurement of Stone was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Asa Hall for the remission of a Fine for allowing his Stage to stand at the corner of Nassau & Pine street contrary to Law was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of the Butchers of the Spring street Market praying that the Stalls in the Clinton Market may not be sold at Auction &c was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John Minuse to be appointed to the Office of Clerk of the Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

[273] A Petition of J & T Morrell for an extension of Lease of Lots at Williamsburgh was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Stephen Smith & others praying to have 6th Street regulated from Avenue D to Avenue C was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Wenk for the Office of Street Inspector of the 6th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Archibald M Allerton praying to Lease from the Corporation certain Common Lands near the Middle Road was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons praying to have the name of Orange Street altered to that of Congress Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Perkins Nichols praying for permission to place a Floating Bridge at the foot of North street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[274] A Petition of a number of Inhabitants of the 7th & 13th Wards and also the Butchers of the Grand Street Market praying that the Stalls in said Market may not be sold at Public Auction, but

renewed to the Old occupants were read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Nirum Tredwell to be appointed to the Office of Street Inspector of the 13th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Henry Stiles for the Office of Measurer of Charcoal was read and refered to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Communication from Thomas Skidmore in relation to obtaining Water from the River for extinguishing Fires was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of William Gailer for some Office under the Board was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the East end of Broome & Delancy street to have a [275] Watchman stationed between the Two streets was read and referred to the Watch Committee.

A Petition of Robert Carnly in relation to extinguishing Fires was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of Trembly & Sitcher praying for an advance for building Public Cisterns was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Memorial of David P Hall for the apportionment of Taxes on Lots on 5th & 14th Streets in the 11th Ward was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Wallace against the passage of an Ordinance for laying the side walks in front of his premises in Division Street near Governeur Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Communication was received from Oliver Hibberd Captain of the 2d District City Watch resigning his office—Which was read and the resignation accepted.

[276] A Remonstrance of a number of Citizens residing on the low grounds on Carmine Street &c which are inundated by Ponds of Water unexpecte[d]ly thrown upon their Lands from above 13th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee and Alderman & Assistant of the 12th Ward with powers.

A Petition of Chase Robinson to be discharged from Imprisonment on a Judgment in favor of the Corporation for keeping an Intelligence Office without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee with power.

A Petition of William Davis praying to be relieved from the pay-

ment of a Fine for selling Liquors without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

The Finance Committee presented the following Report relative to the Lease of Castle Garden

The Finance Committee respectfully Report to the Board. That the present Lease of Castle Garden terminates on the first day of May next, and that the Comptroller having advertised for sealed proposals to rent the same for Seven [277] years, the best agreement which your Committee have been enabled to make is with Henry Marsh viz^{t} at $800 for the first year and 1800 Dollars for the remaining Six years annual rent, payable quarterly in advance—And the Lessee to pay all taxes and to do all repairs and to conform to all the requirements contained in the Draft of a Lease herewith submitted

And to give security according to the draft of a Bond which is also herewith submitted—The sureties offered are Alexander Cascaden James Journeay and Daniel Rhodes with which your Committee are satisfied, they therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution Viz^{t}

Resolved, that the Counsel prepare Copies of the said Lease and Bond, and that the part of the said Lease to be executed by this Board be authenticated in the usual manner—And that the same be delivered to the said Marsh, upon his duly executing the Counterpart thereof, and said Bond with above named persons are sureties

W Seaman
John R Peters
G Lee
David Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[278] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Managers of the Assylum for lying in Women presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee beg leave respectfully to Report on the within Petition of the Managers of the Asylum for lying in women. The Petitioners ask for a donation from the Corporation, in aid of that establishment. Your Committee have duly considered the subject, and cannot but think that the Asylum is deserving of public support—They therefore offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant for Two hundred dollars (as a donation by the Corporation towards the support of the Asylum for lying-in Women) in favour of the Treasurer of that Institution.

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Jn° R Peters
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the General Episcopal [279] Theological Seminary for a reduction of Rent presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee respectfully Report, on the within petition of the General Episcopal Theological Seminary, It appears that a Water Grant was some months ago, applied for by said Seminary, in front of their property on the North or Hudsons River, but that they have not taken out the same, and wish to have the Quit Rent reduced—Your Committee consider the rent as quite low, and that it ought not to be reduced: And also, that a reduction in this instance would lead to similar applications—Under every view of the subject, Your Committee are constrained to think that it is inexpedient to set the precedent of reducing the rates of Quit in that vicinity, even in favor of so respectable a body as the Episcopal Seminary.

The Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
William W Mott
John R Peters
G Lee
David Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[280] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Alex^{r} Underhill for Stall N° 3 Greenwich Market & George W Smock for Stall N° 31 Catherine Market presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Peti-

tion[s] of George W Smock, and Alexander Underhill hereunto annexed

Respectfully Report.

That they are accompanied by the necessary transfers recommendations and Qualifications—And they recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted on the usual terms

Respectfully submitted

John Yates Cebra
Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
Jeremiah Dodge
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Watch Committee to whom had been referred the several Petitions for the Office of Captain of the 2d District Watch presented [281] the following Report

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Petition of David Field on the 1st Decr 1828 of Ebenezer Whiting—Ira Munson—Gilbert C Hebbard and Thomas Pullis on the 5th And of John Gooderson on the 12th Inst to be appointed Captain of the 2d District Watch—Respectfully Report

That they have investigated the claims and examined the recommendations of the respective applicants—That where the Committee considered all were worthy, and deserving, Selection became difficult—And that after due Investigation of the personal worth and fitness of the applicants, as well as the respectability of their several recommendations they adopted the following Resolution Vizt

Resolved that Ira Munson be appointed Captain of the 2d District Watch in the place of Oliver Hebbard Resigned

The Committee further Report that they have examined the Caps of the first District, and found some of them unfit for service, many suffering for want of Paint and other Repairs, And that, after the most careful selection of such as are worth mending, a supply of from 20 to 25 New ones will be Indispensable for the comfort of the Men

David Bryson
W Seaman
[282] Jeremiah Dodge
Peter Pinckney

Which was read and laid on the Table—It was afterward called up and

the Board proceeded to Ballot for a person to fill the Vacancy when David Field had a majority of the Votes and was declared duly chosen.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Nish for remission of a Fine for not having his Wood Inspected presented the following Report in favour of the same.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of James Nish for remission of a fine for not having his Wood at the Glass House on the North River, in the Twelfth Ward Inspected—Report

That this Individual, altho he has had a Trial and been fined (including Costs) Sixty two dollars & thirty two Cents, Yet your Committee doubt if it was the spirit or Intention of the Law to require an Individual so far out of Town to Inspect his Wood, or to restrain him from purchasing it by the Cord—The fine too appears to have been inflicted on a Clerk, and not any of the principals of the Establishment, under such circumstances Your Committee recommend the [283] following Resolution

Resolved that the Penalty of Fifty Dollars be refunded by the Attorney of the Board to James Nish the Petitioner

Samuel Stevens
P W Engs
David Bryson
Geo D Strong
Jonathan Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Carlisle Weeks for the remission of a Fine presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Carlisle Weeks for remission of a penalty Report, That they have considered his Petition, And that he having complied with the Law, and remedied the Nuisance, they recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that the penalty incurred by Carlisle Weeks be remitted on the payment of Costs—All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
P W Engs
David Bryson
[284] George D Strong
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Lorillard for remission of a fine presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Peter Lorillard praying for the remission of a Fine

Report

That they have considered the case of this Petitioner, and though perhaps the strict Letter of the Law has been violated, yet they believe that the Petitioner should be relieved on the payment of Costs. They offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Peter Lorillard be relieved from the penalty incurred by him on payment of Costs.

Samuel Stevens
P W Engs
David Bryson
Geo: D Strong
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[285] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Resolution directing an enquiry relative to prohibiting persons becoming Members of *Sluppy* [Supply] Fire Engine C[o] N[o] 1 who have not served 5 years in the Fire Department presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the annexed Resolution directing an enquiry into the propriety of prohibiting persons becoming members of Supply Fire Engine Company N[o] 1 who have not served Five years in the Fire Department of this City Respectfully

Report

That on this subject your Committee have no difference of opinion, This Engine is erected over a Large Well of Water at the Public Yard, from which station she is never moved, consequently it is not used only when the fire happens in the immediate neighbourhood—The duties of this Company therefore are much less than that of other Firemen in the City, except the fire Wardens, who are under a similar regulation with which your Committee propose to place this Company

Your Committee are therefore of the opinion that no person should be eligible for this situation who has not borne the Burden of the day by doing more active duty a few years previous—[286] Accordingly

submit for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that no person shall be permitted to become a Member of Supply Fire Engine Company N° 1 who has not served Five years in the Fire Department of this City

All which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Samuel Stevens
James Palmer
Peter Pinckney
P W Engs

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee & the Committee on the Jail & Bridewell to whom had been referred back their former Report on the subject of a Special Sessions presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committees on Police and Jail and Bridewell to whom was referred back a former Report from these Committees on the subject of a Special Sessions

Report

That they have maturely considered the Report so referred back to them, and that they agree in opinion with the Gentlemen formerly [287] composing these Committees that the number of persons Committed to Bridewell for Petty Offences is such as *imperviously* [imperatively] to require a Tribunal organized on such principles as will enable the Court speedily to enquire into the Complaints against persons accused of Petty Offences that if they are found innocent they may be forthwith discharged, and that if they are found guilty they may be immediately removed from our Bridewell to our County prisons where they can by their labour at least in part contribute to the support of themselves—Our Bridewell will by these means be exempt from the almost yearly Jail fevers which have existed in it.

Your Committee remark that some individuals having expressed doubts whether Constitutional difficulties did not exist in relation to this Court—Your Committee requested the Counsel of the Board to examine the subject, and they have also, at the Request of the Recorder, taken the opinion of the late Chancellor Kent on the same subject—And Your Committee are happy to be able to State to the Board that both these Gentlemen unite fully in the opinion, that there is no legal or Constitutional objection to the Organization of this Court.

Under such Circumstances Your Committee offer the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Recorder be [288] requested forthwith to organize the Court of Special Sessions to try such class of Offenders as are subject to be tried in this Court—And that he hold the same at least twice a Week during his Vacations of the General Sessions.

Resolved that the Clerk of the General Sessions be requested to attend the Special Sessions as Clerk of the same.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant for Fifty dollars in favor of James Kent as a Counsel fee.

All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
P. W Engs
David Bryson
Peter Pinckney
George D Strong
Jonathan Seymour
Benjamin M Brown
Thomas Jeremiah

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the Petition of the Humane Society for a Donation from the Corporation presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Charity to [289] whom was referred the Petition of the Humane Society, for a Donation in aid of its funds

Respectfully Report

That they have duly considered the same, and deeming the objects of the Society as one of the best of Charities their petition in their opinion is reasonable and ought to be granted, they offer the following Resolution Viz[t]

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to issue a Warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Humane Society for the sum of Two hundred Dollars

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
Jeremiah Dodge
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob Cram for permission to build a drain from his distillery in Wooster street to Canal Street sewer presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Canal Committee to whom were referred the Petition of Jacob Cram of 10th Decr last

Report

That in their opinion the application is a reasonable one, and ought to be granted

[290] They therefore recommend that the following Resolution be passed.

Resolved that Jacob Cram be permitted to place a Sewer from his Molasses distillery in Wooster street to the Main Canal street Sewer, provided that the same be done under the Inspection of the Chairman of this Committee

Thomas T Woodruff
P. W Engs
Wm Mandeville
George D Strong
Henry Arcularius

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Resolution relative to making further legal provisions to prevent trespasses on Real estate in the City of New York presented a Report which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have that part of Fifth Street West of the Washington Parade Ground to be named Barrow Street presented the [291] following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have that part of Fifth Street lying West of the Washington Parade changed to that of Barrow street respectfully

Report

That inasmuch as that, that part of 5th Street is wholly disconnected from that part of the said Street which terminates on the Easterly side of the Parade And for asmuch that as it is a continuation of Barrow Street from the grounds of A S Pell west of the Sixth

Avenue to the Parade aforesaid—Your Committee are of the opinion that it would be right & Proper to grant the request of the Petitioners And accordingly submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that so much of Fifth Street as lies Westerly of the Washington Parade ground be changed to and known, and hereafter distinguished as "Barrow street"

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs cause Barrow street to be named and numbered in conformity with the foregoing Resolution

John Lozier
John R Peters
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff
Jeremiah Dodge

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[292] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the name of Pump street changed to that of Walker street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the name of Pump Street changed to that of Walker street

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee, that inasmuch as that the present termination of Walker street is at Centre Street, where Pump street Commences, and from thence continued to its termination at Division street, and is in fact but one continued street, altho' called by different names, by which such inconvenience is occasioned, and therefore recommend that the request of the petitioners be granted, and the following Resolutions adopted and carried into effect.

Resolved that the name of Pump street be changed to that of Walker street and by that name be hereafter known and distinguished.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be, and he is hereby directed to have the aforesaid Street properly named and numbered

John Lozier
John R Peters
Jeremiah Dodge
[293] William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of William D Coit for the Office of City Weigher presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of Wm D Coit to be appointed City Weigher have made enquiry as to Character & Qualifications of the Petitioner, and find him well recommended, and therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that William D Coit be and he is hereby appointed a City Weigher in place of Thomas B Vermilye resigned

John Lozier
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was read and laid on the Table—The Report was afterward called up—And the Board proceeded to Ballot, when William D Coit received a Majority of the Votes and was declared duly elected

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of David Board [294] to be appointed a Measurer of Grain presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Memorial of the Fire Department praying that the term of service of Firemen may be reduced from Ten to Seven years presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table—Mr Engs gave notice that he should call for a consideration of this Report at the next Meeting of the Board

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Lang & Augustus Fleming contesting the legality of the late Charter Election in the First Ward presented the following Report.

The Select Committee to whom were referred the Petition of John Lang and Augustus Fleming Esquires, contesting the legality of the late Charter Election in the First Ward, and claiming to have been themselves duly elected as Alderman and Assistant of said Ward, and also a Remonstrance of sundry of the Electors of said Ward on that subject, and also various Affidavits in support of said Remonstrance, And also an Affidavit of Orrin Rowley in relation to said Election beg leave to Report.

[295] That they have duly examined and considered the said papers and matters, and have been attended, in reference thereto, by the parties and their Counsel.

No charge whatever is made against the Inspector of the said Election; but it appears that they acted impartially and uprightly,

and that their conduct, as well at the election, as since, has been free from any imputation.

At the request of your Committee the Counsel for the parties who apply to have the Election in the said Ward set aside, has specified the charges which are relied upon for that purpose They are as follows.

The Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of certain persons, touching the Election in the First Ward, is respectfully informed that under that Memorial it is expected to be proved whenever an opportunity is afforded to the Memorialists to produce their proofs

1. That John Y Cebra and James I. Roosevelt were returned by a majority of illegal Votes—That persons slept a few nights in the Ward, others were brought into it by the persuasion of the said John Y Cebra and James I Roosevelt, or one of them, for the purpose of voting for the said persons so returned

2. That the said John Y Cebra one of the members so returned, did attempt to hinder, and did actually [296] succeed in preventing an Elector from exercising his free right of Suffrage, by corrupt and improper means

3. That many illegal Voters were induced by the said John Y Cebra and James I Roosevelt, or one of them, to vote in the said first Ward, at the said Election for them, altho' the said John Y Cebra and James I Roosevelt well knew that the said voters had no right to vote in the said Ward.

4. That the said John Y Cebra did at and before the said Election, in and by certain other improper means and ways, not demean himself in a legal and proper manner as a citizens of this City, and candidate for the Office of Alderman of the First Ward, contrary to the Laws in such case provided, and tending to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage."

It will be seen by these specifications that they related to two distinct matters of complaint.

1st The allegation that illegal votes were received & 2d The conduct of the present Alderman and Assistant in procuring such illegal votes, or otherwise influencing Voters at the Election.

Your Committee are of opinion that inasmuch as the regularity of the Election, or the conduct and proceedings of the Inspectors, are not impeac[h]ed or questioned, the Common [297] Council ought not to neglect the necessary public duties which devolve upon its members to inquire into the qualifications of the Voters. And although the

Charter appears to confer the power it is not expedient for the Common Council to interfere except where the elections are held or conducted contrary to Law, or where the proceedings or conduct of the Inspectors are questioned—This was the solemn and deliberate determination of the Board in the case between Mr Lawrence & Alderman Parker; which was the last contested Charter Election, and was decided in the year 1824 After hearing Counsel before the Board and after the most full and mature consideration such was the determination of the Common Council, and with this decision Your Committee are satisfied.

The contrary rule of holding a scrutiny of elections where the votes are by Ballot and not viva voce, would lead to the greatest difficulty and confusion at every election, and perhaps in every Ward—Where the Election is held according to Law by the Inspectors, and the regularity or conduct of the Inspectors is not called in question, Your Committee cannot deem it expedient for the Board to interfere.

With respect to the Alderman of the First Ward, who is charged in said specifications with corrupt and illegal conduct, and with respect to the conduct of the Assistant of said Ward, who is [298] charged with illegal but not corrupt conduct, Your Committee only remark that for offences against Official duty which are also Indictable, it is a contested question whether a party must be previously convicted of the Offence, or may not be tried or expelled by a Corporation in the First instance—But when your Committee reflect how much more conducive to the discovery of truth a judicial investigation would be in this matter, they cannot hesitate in forming the opinion that the Board ought not to interfere—And they entertain the same opinion relative to the affidavit of O Rowley impeaching an individual in the First ward, with attempts at corruption in opposition to the present members from that Ward.

All these charges against voters or candidates of acts contrary to Law (which are indictable at Common Law, or under the Election Law Title 7) ought to be made the subject of regular judicial investigation before a Court where the attendance of Witnesses, may be enforced; and if the parties are found guilty they ought to be punished according to Law—If a member should ever be convicted of such an Offence he may be expelled [from] the Board, and the purity of Elections would thus be vindicated.

And if any further provisions by Law are necessary to guard against corruption at Elections or illegal votes—Your Committee have

no doubt [299] that the emphatic suggestion recently made by the Executive to the Legislature on that subject, will produce such enactments as the Public good may require—It is but justice however to say that none of the Affidavits submitted to the Committee justify or prove in any degree the charges contained in the specification, of corrupt or illegal conduct by Alderman Cebra or illegal conduct by Mr Roosevelt

Upon the whole therefore Your Committee are of the opinion that the settled rule of the Common Council not to disturb an Election which has been regularly conducted, And in respect to which the Inspectors are free from all imputation, ought not now to be departed from; And that there is no evidence before Your Committee to justify the charge of improper, illegal or corrupt conduct against the members from the First Ward, or either of them; and that if there was such evidence, in respect to indictable matters, it would be inexpedient to take any order on the subject, inasmuch as a judicial investigation may be had with equal speed in this Hall, and such investigation would be better calculated to elicit the truth, than an enquiry by a Committee of this Board, or before the Common Council—These investigations, in relation to the regularity of Elections of Charter Officers take place before the whole body of the Common Council [300] and not before a Committee. The subject being generally referred to a Committee in the first instance, merely to ascertain whether there are sufficient grounds to justify or require the interference of the Board—If there are sufficient grounds, the whole Board then assemble and hear the proofs; if there are no sufficient grounds the Board refuse to take any order to investigate the subject, and leave the parties to their legal remedies.

Your Committee having stated their views on the matters referred to them, respectfully offer the follow[ing] resolution for the consideration of the Board.

I. Resolved that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the above subject

All which is respectfully submitted.

John R Peters
W Seaman
John Lozier
Jeremiah Dodge
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen—Whereupon the Resignations were accepted and the appointments made Viz[t]

[301] Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 12

John F Mason Jun[r] Grocer 54 Frankfort S[t]

V[c] John F Mason Jun[r] Resigned

Aaron H Alden—Accountant 152 Harman S[t]

V[c] John M[c]Gowan—Exempt in consequence of Injury rec[d] at a Fire

N[o] 19

Jabez Fisher James Winchell & John Roberts—

Expelled for neglect of Duty.

N[o] 24

Henry Provoost—Brass Founder Broome Cor Greene S[t]

V[c] Alfred Ashfield—Resigned

Stephen Bonner—Brass Founder Broome Cor Greene S[t]

V[c] Judson Hawley Time Expired

N[o] 31

Henry Johnson Gilbert A Johnson & John Penton—Resigned
David Evans & William J Norris—Left the City
John Van Winkle—Expelled

Fire Wardens C[o]

13[th] Ward

James A Campfield—Merchant Tailor 420 Grand S[t]

V[c] Isaac Marshall—Time Expired

The City Inspector presented the following [Report] of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully reports [302] the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

N[o]	1	J Larocque	Owner	N[o]	6 Bowery	A Privy
	2.	J Lorillard	do		8 D[o]	D[o]
	3.	J Morton	Lessee		111 Canal S[t]	D[o]
	4.	D[o]	D[o]		111½ do	D[o]
	5.	J [T] Thompson	D[o]		118 Chatham S[t]	D[o]
	6.	J Mount	D[o]		124 D[o]	D[o]
	7.	R[d] Kedney	Owner		83 Chapel S[t]	D[o]
	8.	A Tiebout	D[o]		91 D[o]	D[o]
	9.	M Brownhill	D[o]		97 D[o]	D[o]
	10.	T[s] H Popham	D[o]		105 D[o]	D[o]

11.	M Elmendorf	Owner	105	Chapel St	A Privy
12.	J Johnson	Do	107	Do	Do
13.	J Bingham	Do	117	Do	Do
14.	Chs Mowatt	Do	123	Do	Do
15.	Dl Winant	Do	125	Do	Do
16.	G Heard	Do	129	Do	Do
17.	M Scheaffer	Do	139	Do	Do
18.	Chs Titus	Do	178	Church St	Do
19.	A Sherman	Do	180	Do	Do
20.	P Lamplin	Do	188	Do	Do
21	J Pie	Do	194	Hester St	Do
22	S Van Buskirk	Do	167	Leonard St	Do
23.	J Cannon	Executor No	3	Mulberry St	Do
24.	J Harrison	owner	13	Do	Do
25.	J Harris	Do	23.	Do	Do
26.	M Arnett	Do	63	Do	Do
27.	[303] G Robinson	Do	85	Do	Do
28.	T Mooney Junr	Do	95½	Do	Do
29.	J Brandon	Do	103	Do	Do
30.	J Good	Do	21	Do	Do
31.	Z Inslee	Do	105	Do	Do
32.	Do	Do	107	Do	Do
33.	N Jarvis	Do	115	Do	Do
34.	J Marshall	Do	117	Do	Do
35.	Wm McIlwain	Do	119	Do	Do
36.	G Tappen	Do	125	Do	Do
37.	Sl Dunshee	Do	127	Do	Do
38.	J Looker	Do	136	Do	Do
39.	A Terhune	Do	139	Do	Do
40.	J Allen	Agent	5	N Moore St	Do
41.	Do	Do	7	Do	Do
42.	A Vandenbergh	Owner	14	Do	Do
43.	G Storm	Do	1	Orange St	Do
44.	C Miller	Do	7	Do	Do
45.	G Vultee	Do	13	Do	Do
46	M McCarg	Lessee	31	Do	Do
47.	H Marshall	Agent	35	Do	Do
48.	Do	Do	35½	Do	Do
49.	Pk Collins	owner	36	Do	Do
50.	Do	Do	36½	Do	Do
51.	Fx ONeil	Do	37	Do	Do
52.	Do	Do	37½	Do	Do
53	Do	Do	39	Do	Do
54	[304] T Stephens	Lessee	48	Do	Do
55.	W C French	owner	52	do	Do
56.	J C French	Do	56½	Do	Do
57.	Js Donaldson	Agent	57	Do	Do
58.	Js Rooney	owner	59	Do	Do
59.	J Waters	owner	60	Do	Do

60. C Geraghty	owner	62 Orange St	A Privy
61. Jas McBride	Do	63 Do	Do
62 Fx ONeil	Do	66 Do	Do
63. B Deforest	Do	68 Do	Do
64. R Walker	Do	79 Do	Do
65. Ts Mooney	Do	85 Do	Do
66. Do	Do	87 Do	Do
67. G Peck	Do	90 Do	Do
68. Wm Mook	Do	91 Do	Do
69. Wm Mooney	Agent	93 Do	Do
70. Js Gardner	owner	106 Do	Do
71. S Stansbury	do	108 Do	Do
72. E Wheeler	Do	115 Do	Do
73. Do	Do	115½ Do	Do
74. S McFarlin	Do	116 Do	Do
75. W & G Post	Do	117 Do	Do
76. N Jarvis	Agent	123 Do	Do
77. Rt Thompson	owner	130 Do	Do
78. Do	Do	136 Do	Do
79. Pk Murray	Lessee	142 Do	Do
80. Do	Do	146 Do	Do
81. [305] A Evans	owner	152 Do	Do
82. A Vandenburgh	Do	10 Varick St	Do
83. L Suydam	Do	5 York St	Do
84. G Wright	Do	6 Do	Do
85. J Hatfield	Do	7 Do	Do
86. M Britten	Do	8 Do	Do
87. Nh Talcot	owner	Mulberry St	A Lot
88. E Lawrence	Do	Grand St	Do
89. A S Pell	Do	Christopher St	Do

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Which were passed.

The City Inspector presented his Annual Report of Deaths in the City for the last [year] together with his remarks thereon as follows.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports to the Board, a statement of the Interments in the City and County of New York for the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight amounting to 5181.

The reader of the Report of the preceding year will observe with surprise, that the number of Deaths in those successive years is exactly the same (5181) a coincidence as singular, perhaps, as can be found on Record: and especially when it is known how much the population of this City has increased [306] within the last year.

The total number of colored persons that died were 630

The Consumptive cases were 906 of which 99 were colored persons.

The cases of Fever and Infantile Diseases vary little from what is usual; but an continued exemption from the desolating effects of Yellow Fever, must be a source of real gratitude and thankfulness

Notwithstanding the vast and obvious advantage bestowed on mankind by the discovery of Vaccination, it is melancholy to observe the indifference with which its blessings are viewed by many, when we have to Report the death of 93 persons by that loathsome disease, the Small Pox, whilst it is some consolation to find that the number is much less than in the preceding year

Respectfully submitted

G Cuming
City Inspector

Which was accepted & directed to be printed

The Comptroller presented an Estimate of Receipts and Expenditures for the year 1829—And a Balance sheet for the past year. Which were referred to the Finance [307] Committee, with authority to print the same

The Treasurer of the Sailors Snug Harbour presented the Accounts of said Corporation for the past year which was directed to be filed.

Alderman Palmer presented the following which was referred to the Police Committee.

Whereas great and growing evils exist in the practice of Boys of the age of 12 years and there abouts driving peddling Carts & Waggons—Resolved that it be expedient to adopt some measures to counteract said Evils.

Alderman Lee presented the following which was adopted.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council furnish each member with so much of the revised Laws of this State as have been already published and the balance of said Laws from time to time as the same shall be published

Alderman Cebra presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that one member be added to the Committee on the Fire Department—His Honor the Mayor appointed Alderman Benj^{n} M Brown.

[308] M^{r} Jeremiah presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Resolved that the time of service for Firemen be limited to Seven years and that each member serving for that term of years shall be entitled to receive the sum of Dollars and be discharged from all but Jury duty.

Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Special Committee on Water be added in connection with the Committee on the Fire Department, on the subject of a sufficient supply of Water to extinguish Fires.

Mr Bryson presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that the Finance Committee be directed to Report to the Common Council—A system of Finance for the City, founded on the simple and obvious principles, that all appropriations of the Public money shall be Specific Definite and Distinct that no order making, or authorizing any such appropriation shall emenate but from a proper and legitimate source—That all [309] Committees now or hereafter appointed, shall Report to the Board the necessary expences incurred by them in the discharge of their respective duties—And that an Annual or Semi-annual Account current be presented to the Common Council for Scrutiny and Publication.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolutions which were referred to the Law Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Law Committee to inquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature for the passage of a Law directing all Liens on real estate in this City to be recorded (before the same shall take effect) in the Office of the Register of Deeds and Mortgages.

Resolved that a Memorial be presented to the Legislature in the name of the Corporation representing the exorbitancy of the charges exacted in the Registers Office of this City, and praying for the passage of a Law to reduce the same.

Resolved that the Law Committee be instructed to ascertain and Report to the Common Council the reason why, in the late revision of the Laws of the State all those relating particularly to the City of New York have been omitted, and whether any and what measures ought to be taken for the purpose of simplifying abridging and digesting the said Laws.

[310] Alderman Mott moved that the Report of the Committee on Applications to the Legislature on the Fire Laws with two Laws annexed made on the 17th March 1828 and laid on the Table be now called up, which was agreed to. He then moved that the same be referred back to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature which was agreed to.

He also moved that the Memorial & Law on the subject of issuing

Tavren Licences &c prepared by the Counsel & presented to the Board on the 20th December 1828 and laid on the Table be now called up which was agreed to—He then moved that the same be referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature which was Carried

Mr Roosevelt presented sundry Resolutions relative to calling a County Convention for the purpose of revising the present Organization of the City Government &c which were read and laid on the Table —The Resolutions were as follows

1. Resolved as the sense of this Common Council that it is expedient that a Convention be called for the purpose of revising the present organization of the City Government and suggesting such alterations therein as to the said Convention may seem proper.

2. Resolved that such Convention consist of [311] delegates from each Ward to be chosen by the Electors qualified to vote for Charter Officers.

3. Resolved that the Election for that purpose be by Ballot and be held on the — day of February next and be conducted in like manner as Elections for Charter Officers except that the Poll shall continue open for one day only.

4. Resolved that the members of the Convention so chosen shall assemble at the Sessions Court Room in the City Hall on the — day of February next at 12 OClock at Noon, and it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Common Council to attend and Act as Clerk of the said Convention, and the proceedings thereof certified by the presiding Officer shall be returned to the Common Council on the day of next, to the end that an application to the Legislature may in due form be made for the passage of a Law in Conformity therewith.

Alderman Peters presented sundry Resolutions similar to those presented by Mr Roosevelt which were also read and laid on the Table

The Resolutions were as follows

1st Resolved that this Common Council do hereby recommend to the respective Inspectors of Elections in the several Wards in this City to give 15 days public Notice inviting the Electors to [312] elect by Ballot on the day of February next respectable fit & suitable Citizens in each & every Ward to compose a City Convention.

2d Resolved that it be recommended to said Convention when so elected to devote the requisite time to cautiously consider and recommend necessary alterations in the organization of this Common Council.

3. Resolved that it be recommended to the Electors in selecting distinguished individuals who are to compose a convention to examine and pass upon the principles of our municipal Government in which every Citizen has so deep an interest that Selections be made without referrence to party Politics.

Alderman Lozier moved that the Board now proceed to elect a Counsel to the Board which was agreed to—The Board then proceeded to Ballot, when Robert Emmet received Twenty six Ballots, which being a Majority of Votes was declared duly elected.

Mr Engs then moved that the Board proceed to the appointment of an Attorney to the Board which was agreed to—The Board then proceeded to Ballot, when on counting the Votes it appeared that Lemuel Smith had Twenty seven [313] Votes which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly Elected

Mr Engs then moved that the Board proceed to Choose Five Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell which was agreed to—The Board then proceeded to Ballot when on counting the same it appeared that John Targee, Arthur Burtis Thomas R Smith Elisha Tibbets & Gilbert Coutant had each Twenty seven Votes, which being a Majority of Votes, they were declared duly chosen.

Alderman Lozier moved that the Board proceed to elect a Physician to the City Prison which was agreed to—The Board proceeded to Ballot when on counting the same it appeared that William Rockwell had Twenty seven Votes which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly elected.

Mr Engs then moved that the Board proceed to elect a Street Inspector for the 11th Ward—The Board proceeded to Ballot, on counting the same it appeared Abraham Hatfield had Twenty seven Votes, which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly elected

[314] Mr Strong then moved that the Board proceed to the Election of a Street Inspector for the 6th Ward which was negatived.

Alderman Lozier moved that the Board now proceed to elect a Street Inspector for the 14th Ward which was agreed to—The Board proceeded to Ballot, on counting the same it appeared Peter Field had Twenty eight Votes which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly Elected

Alderman Lozier moved that the Board now proceed to appoint Four Collectors of Assessments—Alderman Stevens moved that the Question be divided and that it be taken on the appointment without referrence to numbers. The question was then taken on going into the appointment of Collectors of Assessments, which was agreed to—It

was then moved that there be Four Collectors appointed—This was also agreed to—Mr Stevens then gave notice that he would move for a reconsideration of the Vote at the next meeting of the Board

. The Recorder then moved that when the Board adjourn, they Adjourn to meet tomorrow at 5 OClock, which was agreed to.

[315] Alderman Lozier then moved that the Board now proceed to the appointment of an Inspector of Hackney Coaches which was agreed to—The Board then proceeded to Ballot when on counting the same it appeared that Henry Storms had Twenty five votes, which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly elected

Alderman Coe then moved that the Board proceed to the appointment of Keeper of the City Prison & Bridewell which was agreed to —The Board then proceeded to Ballot when on counting the same George W Skellorn had Twenty four Votes, which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly elected.

Mr Strong then moved that the Board proceed to the appointment of Assistant Superintendant of Streets which was agreed to—The Board then proceeded to Ballot when on the counting the same it appeared that Charles Dobbs had Twenty seven Votes, which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly Elected.

Mr Seaman then moved that the Board proceed to elect Two Sealers of Weights and measures, which was agreed to—The Board [316] then proceeded to Ballot, when on Counting the same Abraham Brower and Joseph Spencer each had Twenty six Votes, which being a Majority of Votes they were declared duly elected.

Mr Engs presented the following which was adopted.

Resolved that Isaac C Osborn be appointed Keeper of the Washington Parade Ground and that the wages for that service be Seventy five Cents per day.

Alderman Peters moved that the Board reconsider the Vote on the Recorders motion to adjourn until tomorrow at 5 OClock which was agreed to.

A Motion was then made that this Board now adjourn to Monday next at 5 OClock The Question being taken thereon and a Division having been called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Ald I. Brown Coe Peters Meresole Dodge [317] Mr Roosevelt Bryson Strong Jeremiah Pinckney Lovett 11

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra Mott Stevens Rogers Lozier B M Brown Lee Mr Seymour Arcularius Seaman Cowan Wells Cooper Engs 15

So it passed in the Negative.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Act[t] 12 Inst	4,351.93
Rec[d] for Tax of 1828	21,000.
" Streets	5,448.81
" Rents	1.541.67
" Docks & Slips	700.
" Justices Courts	233.82
" Alms House, Penalty four Flour	45.
" Mayoralty fees	45.
" Dealers in Second hand Articles	25.
" Lien on Lots	25.
	$33.416.23

42 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid

[318] Blauvelt & Stewart—Watch 1[st] Dist	1386.
Astin & Hibberd Do 2[d] "	945.
Stagg & Herring Do 3[d] "	945.
Geo: B Smith Asst St Com[r] 1 Qu[r] Salary 15 Jan[y]	426.39
D D Williamson Messenger 1 Q[r] do 26 Jan[y]	125.
John J Boyd Expences procuring information relative to Coasting Trade between N York & Philadelphia	75.
John M Dewey Sunday service 13 Ward 4 days to 1 Jan[y]	6.
Wm F Stevenson Do 10 Ward 4 days do	6.
Chester Huntington Do 1 ward 9 days Do	13.50
S Lyon & J W Somerndyke do 6 Ward 7 days each Do	21.
Samuel Judd 12 Casks Oil	871.64
Thos C Taylor Awd openg 14th Street fm Bowery to E River	10,179.
Howard Ins Co Mortgagees of Estate Thos H Smith Do Do	642.
Nathan Jackson Do Do	602.
Joseph Piggot Do Do	365.
Maria Lefferts Awd openg Minetto St to McDougal St	579.
Eliza Benson Do Do Do	450.
Alexander Knox Awd openg Jane St fm G[reenwich] St to H River	2850.
Job Griffen Awd openg 20th St fm 3d Avenue to Bgdale Road	500.
Peter G Stuyvesant Do Do Do	100.
H Spencer Atty for Abm Stagg bal pav 4th St fm Bowery to 1st Avenue	1821.83
O McCabe act[t] reg & pav Avenue D from North to near 8th St	800.
J Williams bal reg 10th St betwn 5 & 6 Avenues	471.95
E Bancker Atty for T Pope & Wm Agnew Act[t] rg 4th St from Avenue D to near Lewis St	300.
M Ulshoeffer Attorneys Costs &c widening Liberty St fm Bdway to near William St	293.08
M Ulshoeffer do openg 15th St fm 3d Avenue to Bloomindale Road	129.38

[319] P. Smith Acctt pavg Mott St fm Houston to Bleecker St	200.	
H Spencer bal reg & pav 5th Street from 1st to 3d Avenue	98.72	
Wm Gee posting bills for St Comr &c	25.	
S Fargay repairs Intersections & accepted Streets 13 Ward	239.26	
S Fargay repairs Intersections 6 Ward	61.49	
S Fargay do 14 Ward	58.25	
G Lovett Actt buildg Bulkhead across Delancy Street	600.	
Nathl Davis bal buildg Market Grand St	587.50	
J McBarron for a Well in Watts St near Washington St	24.12	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Fire Dept	2250.	
J. P. Roome do " Repairs	1426.	
J. P. Roome Do " Docks & Slips	800.	
J. P. Roome Do " Markets	540.	
J. P. Roome Do " Pumps	366.	
J. P. Roome Do " Lamps	213.	
A Burtis Super Alms House workg Convicts bal 31st Dcr 1828	984.23	33.395.34
	Balance	$20.89

A Motion was made that the Board now adjourn the Question being [taken] thereon it was carried in the Affirmative—And the Board was accordingly adjourned to this day Two weeks the regular Meeting at 5 OClock P. M

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OF

MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

February 9, 1829 to April 6, 1829

[1] In Common Council February 9th 1828[9]

Present The Honbl Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Junr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	David Bryson
Isaac Brown	Henry Arcularius
David Rogers	George D Strong
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	William W Cowan
Benjamin M Brown	James N Wells
John R Peters	Thomas Jeremiah
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Pinckney
Jeremiah Dodge	John Lovett
Gideon Lee	Philip W Engs
James Palmer	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Robert S Newby praying for the appointment of City Weigher was read [2] and referred to the Committee on Application for Office.

A Petition of Mrs Chapman to be relieved from an erroneous Tax on her personal property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Peter Erickson for remission of a Fine for selling Liquor without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Memorial of the Lyceum of Natural History accompanied with a Memorial to the Legislature to which the Society wish the Sanction of the Common Council, and in which Memorial the Society request that provision be made by Law for an examination of the Mineral formations in the State for Bitumenous Coal which were read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A Petition from the Trustees of Columbia College to occupy the appartments occupied by the Deaf and Dumb for a Grammer School was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

[3] A Petition of the Trustees of the Orphan Asylum for some pecuniary Assistance in aid of their Funds was read and referred to the Committee on Charity.

A Petition of Jonathan Lyon praying to have leave to commence the excavation of the 8th Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Philological Society to use a Room in the Old Alms House once a Week was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Christian Brown to be appointed Stationer to the Corporation was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Rodman & Samuel Bowne for a grant of land under Water at Brooklyn was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Henne for Stall N° 17 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Abraham Brower [4] Sealer of Weights and Measures praying that correct standard Beams & also a Standard of Liquid Measures may be furnished him was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences with powers.

A Petition of Thomas Hertell praying that the Duane Market may be put in a situation to produce a Revenue was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of George P Rogers and others praying to have McDougal street Extended to 8th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Henry Storms for an extension of time to pay an Assessment for opening 86th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of the Peace Officers attached to the Assistant Justices Courts to receive the surplus Money over and above paying the expences of the said Courts was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Alexander Knox for a Water Grant at Greenwich adjoining his property was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[5] A Petition of George Leviness for Stand N° 16 Washington Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Jacob H Ridabock for Stand in Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Remonstrance of John Flack and others against the passage of an Ordinance regulating 6th Street from Avenue D to Avenue C was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Butchers in Manhattan Market praying for some relief in relation to the rent paid by them was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Remonstrance of the owners and Occupants of property in the vicinity of the foot of North Street against having a floating Bridge at the foot of the said Street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of a number of persons to have 4th Avenue opened from the Bowery to the Old Post Road was read and referred to the Street Committee

[6] A Petition of a number of persons to have the 3d Avenue regulated from 13th Street to 34th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Patrick Green to have an Assessment refunded which he paid for opening 19th Street from 6th to 8th Avenue was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Memorial of sundry persons for the improvement of Roads in the 12th Ward was read and referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Timothy Reeves to be appointed Keeper of the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants of the different Wards praying that some regulations may be adopted for the measuring of Potatoes Turnips and all Kinds of produce sold by heap'd measure and for the appointment of an Inspector for that purpose was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of T. S. Burnham for permission to put a Stoop in front of his House 416 Cherry street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant [7] of the 7th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of William S Hunt & others to have Twentieth Street regulated between 8th and 9th Avenues was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Crosson to have excessive Taxes on his property refunded was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of the Reverend Dr Harris to be relieved from the

payment of a Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of the Associates of the Williamsburgh Ferry against the granting the Petition of John & Thomas T Morrell for a renewal of the Lease to certain Lots of Land at Williamsburgh was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of James Munroe Junior of the United States Army for relief from the payment of Personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Doctor David Hosack for the Loan of the Plate from which the Map, in [8] Coldens Memoir relative to the Grand Canal, was prepared was read and referred to his Honor the Mayor and Recorder with powers.

A Communication from Samuel Baker dated Albany Jan^{y} 24th 1829, relative to the support of the Poor was read and referred to the Special Committee relative to the support of Paupers.

A Petition of John Wheelwright to be relieved from the payment of excessive taxation was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Communication from John Shillaber on the subject of building Docks &c was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Communication from Benjamin Wright Esq^{r} dated Georgetown District of Columbia January 16, 1829 And also from Frances E Phelps dated Windsor Vermont Jan^{y} 30, 1829, on the subject of supplying the City with pure and wholesome Water were read and referred to the Special Committee on Water.

A Communication from T L Smith Esq^{r} one of the Members of the Legislature from this City [9] relative to altering the time of holding the Charter Election from that of the General State Election was read and referred to the Special Committee on Application to the Legislature

A Petition of James Ford praying that George Weeks may receive a transfer of Stall N^{o} 12 Washington Market which he wishes to relinquish was read and referred to the Market Committee.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Davis to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for selling Liquor without License presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Davis for selling liquor without a Licence

Report

That the Petitioner having applied for his Licence at the Mayors Office, And it not appearing that it had been refused or acted upon.

Your Committee recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that the penalty incurred by William Davis be remitted on payment of Costs, and on his taking out the Licence.

[10] All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
Jon[a] Seymour
P. W. Engs
David Bryson
Geo: D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Alexander Andrews to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for not allowing his Weights and Measures to be examined by the Inspector presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Alexander Andrews who has been fined for not permitting his Weights and Measures to be inspected Report

That there appears to have been some misunderstanding between M[r] Andrews and the Inspector in relation to the right of the Inspector, to inspect his Weights and Measures they having been Inspected within the year previous to the application of the Inspector to inspect them again—Now your Committee thinking it was the duty of the Inspector to have informed M[r] Andrews that though he had the right again to Inspect his weights and Measures, yet that he had no right, or that he did not claim to charge the Petitioner with any fees [11] for the second Inspecting if he found the Weights and Measures correct—Had this been done Your Committee believe there would have been no difficulty in permitting the second Inspection; and inasmuch as it appears not to have been done—Petitioner in the opinion of your Committee, has a right to complain that he has been unnecessarily sued and fined. Under such circumstances your Committee recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that the late Attorney of the Board remit both the Penalty and Costs in the suit against Petitioner.

All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
Jon[a] Seymour
P. W Engs
David Bryson
Geo D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Dickenson Asa Hall and Kip & Brown Proprietors of the Greenwich & Broadway Stages to be relieved from the payment of fines for delaying said Stages at the Corner of Nassau & Pine Streets presented the following Report against the same

[12] The Police Committee to whom was referred the three annexed Petitions of James Dickenson, Asa Hall, and Kip & Brown, Accommodation Stage Proprietors—Report.

That the Petitioners have been respectively fined Twenty five dollars each under a Law passed 18[th] of June 1828 regulating the Standing in waiting for passengers of these Stages.

The Complainants were the Tenants and Owners of Property in Nassau between Pine and Wall streets, who represent that their property is materially injured by the occupation of the Streets and side Walks by those Stages and their Drivers—The Law referred to was expressly made to remedy this evil, And your Committee though they have heard the Petitioners see no good reason why the fines imposed should be remitted—The late Mayor and late representatives of the First Ward had designated Broad street as a place where they might Stand, but they having again encroached on the rights of the Inhabitants of Nassau street at the place referred to—Your Committee recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to remit the fines imposed on the above Petitioner

All which is submitted

Samuel Stevens
Jon[a] Seymour
[13] P. W Engs
David Bryson
Geo: D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

Alderman Peters then gave notice that he would call for a reconsideration of the subject at the next Meeting of the Board.

The Attorney presented a Report on the subject of the Laws and Regulations of the Greenwich and Broadway Stages which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Messrs Trimbly & Pitcher for an advance from the Corporation for building Public Cisterns presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully Report on the within Petition of Trimbly & Pitcher who contracted with the Corporation to Build Eighteen Public Cisterns for Three hundred Dollars for every Cistern capable of containing Ten thousand Gallons to be completed about the first of December last—The Petitioners set forth that they have completed sixteen of the said Cisterns and that they are larger than they contracted to build [14] them, and that they have also caused the water to be discharged higher in the Arch than they agreed for, thereby incurring extra expence of Labour and Materials, and that they claim to be paid for this excess of Measurement, And they also ask the Common Council to pay them immediately for the work thus Completed

It appears to your Committee by the Report of Jameson Cox Esqr late Chief Engineer, who was employed to Superintend this Work, that the Contractors have finished the Sixteen Cisterns as above set forth and that to his satisfaction—The other two have been postponed till Spring by direction of your Committee, the Street not being in a situation to put them down before

In relation to the request of the Petitioners to be allowed for the extra Measurement of these Cisterns, your Committee have come to the conclusion that their Value to a certain extent is increased, and therefore think the request to a certain extent is reasonable and ought to be granted. By the Contract the Corporation are not bound to pay the Petitioners any money till it can be collected from those on whom it may be assessed, but as they have taken the contract low, and the work appears to be well executed—Your Committee are not unwilling to make them a Small advance on Account

[15] Accordingly submit for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the said Contractors shall be allowed for the Extra dimensions of diamater and length of Stave of the said Cisterns, and

that they also be paid for the extra expence for Cement & Labour for discharging the Water higher in the Arch than they agreed for, And that the Comptroller be directed to issue his Warrant for Twelve hundred dollars in their favor on Account

All of which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Samuel Stevens
James Palmer
Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
Peter Pinckney

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Johnson to be restored to Membership in Fire Engine Company N° 31 presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on the Fire Department on the within Petition of Henry Johnson a Fireman praying to be restored to Membership in Fire Engine C° N° 31 who was returned by said Company to the [16] Common Council as resigned Respectfully

Report

It appears to your Committee from a proper investigation which they made, having had both parties before them, that some misunderstanding has existed between the said Henry Johnson and some other members of that C°, and that from expressions made by Johnson that he either did or would resign his right of Membership has been the reason, that the Foreman & Secratary have returned him to the Corporation as resigned—But your Committee cannot discover from the evidence before them that he did resign, or at that time intended to do so, but only said, that if two or three other persons were expelled from the C° without a hearing that he would resign, and it appears those persons did have a hearing, and two of them again admitted into the Company.

Your Committee therefore beg leave to submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Henry Johnson be and he is hereby restored to

Membership in Fire Engine C° N° 31 to take date as from his first appointment

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
James Palmer
Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
Peter Pinckney

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[17] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred a Memorial of the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church to have a Lot of ground restored to them which they had Leased to the Corporation presented the following Report.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the within Memorial of the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the City of New York to have a Lot of ground restored to them which they leased to the Corporation.

Respectfully Report

That it appears to your Committee that some time in the year 1822 the Corporation leased from this Society a Lot of ground in Eldridge street for the purpose of Erecting thereon Two Engine houses and that the terms of said Lease was merely nominal, But did agree to build them under said houses a Vault as the Society say for the Interment of the dead, but it does not appear from the contract they were to be used for any particular purpose.

The Memorialists now state that in consequence of the Ordinance of the Common Council prohibiting Interments below Grand Street, that they have been deprived of the true consideration of the Lease aforesaid, and therefore pray to be released from the Contract—And also request to be paid for the use of the ground since the passing of the Interment Law

[18] Your Committee think from the Circumstances of the case, that some arrangements ought to be made with them, but cannot agree to the terms they require

The Interment Law here interferes with the interest of this Church on Different principles than any other in the City as the Corporation are now enjoying their property without any apparent remuneration. But it may be said that the Corporation have incurred the expence of building them a Vault, and if they had been permitted to use it that they would have been satisfied to this your Committee will assent,

and think they ought to pay for the Vault or they will not be placed on a footing with other *Checks* [Churches] in the City who have been deprived in like manner by the Interment Law—Your Committee therefore think that if the Common Council should allow them rent from the present, that the use they have already had of the ground is a full equivalent for the money expended in building the Vault—Accordingly submit for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that there shall be paid to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church an Annual Rent of Fifty dollars for the privilege of their ground in Eldridge street where Engines N^os^ 2 & 19 are stationed Rent to commence the first February

All of which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
[19] Samuel Stevens
James Palmer
Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
Peter Pinckney

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Annual address and Communication from the Rev^d^ John Stanford presented the following Report

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Annual Report of the Reverend John Stanford, beg leave to Report that agreeably to the authority of the Board, they have ordered One hundred Copies of said Report to be printed, and that in consideration of the various public services of the Reverend Divine, they beg leave to submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized to draw a Warrant in favor of the Reverend John Stanford for Five hundred dollars

All which is respectfully submitted

James N Wells
Tho^s^ Jeremiah
David Rogers
David Bryson

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[20] The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips presented the following Report relative to appointment of Inspector of Fire Wood for the 4^th^ District

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips respectfully recommend the appointment of Abraham D Brinckerhoff as Inspector of Fire wood in the Fourth District in place of W^m^ Allen deceased, and also submit the names of other applicants and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Abraham D Brinckerhoff be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Fire wood for the Fourth District.

John R Peters
David Rogers
John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff
Isaac Brown

Whereupon the Board proceeded to Ballot when Abraham D Brinckerhoff was declared duly chosen.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of G Lathrop to be relieved from the payment of an Erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Gerald Lathrop for reduction of his Tax Respectfully Report

[21] That they have duly considered his Petition, and that he has appeared before your Committee and under Oath examined—It appears M^r^ Lathrop has lived in the Third ward for the last four or five years, that he was always Assessed on about One hundred Dollars but is now assessed on Ten thousand dollars, That he did not know that it was his duty to appear before the Assessors nor did he do so

The Committee are however relieved by the Certificate of the Assessors, who state the Assessment is erroneous—And according to the oath of M^r^ Lathrop who swears that he is not worth more than Two hundred and fifty dollars

The Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax of Gerald Lathrop in the 3^d^ Ward be reduced from on Ten thousand dollars to the amount on Two hundred & fifty dollars

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
John Lovett
Jon^a^ Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[22] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Clapp for relief from an erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committe on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Clapp of the 8th Ward for relief from an erroneous Tax

Respectfully Report

That the Petition[er] by his own affidavit and the Certificate of the Assessors of the 8th Ward has brought himself within the Rule or Resolution of this Corporation—First he was not in Town when the Assessment was made—Second the Assessor certifies the Assessment was erroneous—That he swears he is only worth One thousand dollars personal property and has been Assessed as worth Five thousand dollars.

Your Committee therefore offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax of Benjamin Clapp of the 8th Ward be reduced from the amount on Five thousand dollars to the amount on One thousand Dollars

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
John Lovett
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[23] The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Petition of R Stephens Clerk of the Police to have the Law altered relative to the returns of Money made by him presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the application of Resolvert Stephens Clerk of the Police, for the consent of the Common Council to have the words "Specifying the amount received in each case" struck out of the Fourth Section of the Act entitled "An Act relative to the District Attorney, and other Officers of Criminal Justice in the City of New York" passed April 23. 1823

Report.

That the words required to be stricken out of the Statute above mentioned apply to the manner in which the Clerk in the Police shall

make his Quarterly returns to the Comptroller of fees received in the Office, and to no other accounting Officer are they made applicable.

The Committee have examined the mode in which an Account of fees has been kept in the Police Office since the passage of the above Law, and are satisfied that whilst it imposes an [onerous] burthen upon the Clerk, [it] affords no security against fraud or dishonesty in that Officer

[24] That the Magistrates and Clerks of the Police no longer depending upon the receipt of fees for compensation every inducement to extortion is done away.

Your Committee are of opinion that the Clerk of the Police Office ought to be placed on the same footing with the other officers enumerated in the above Law, as to the manner in which he shall make his quarterly returns. They therefore recommend that the Act alluded to be so amended as that instead of "Specifying the amount received in each case" in his returns, he shall merely specify the amount received on each day; And that the Counsel to the Board prepare an Amendment to the above Act in accordance herewith and cause the same to be transmitted to the Legislature properly authenticated

G Lee
J. I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott
William W Cowan
James Palmer

Which was approved & the Counsel directed to prepare a Memorial to the Legislature conformable to the above Report

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Memorial & Law on the subject of issuing Tavren Licences presented [25] the following Report accompanied with a corresponding draught of a Law

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the annexed Memorial and Law proposed to be forwarded to the Legislature, respectfully

Report

That said Memorial and Law were prepared by the Counsel of the Board under a Resolution—unanimously adopted near the close of the last year.

The proposed Law provides for the appointment by the Common Council, of a Board of Fire Commissioners, to serve five years, and without compensation, in whom shall vest all the authority now exer-

cised by the Mayor and Alderman and Assistant of each Ward, in issuing Tavren Licences; and also for the appointment by the Common Counsel of a Clerk to said Commissioners, with such Salary as may be affixed, who shall give bond, with surety, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his Office, and shall receive all monies, and account to the Chamberlain for the same. This plan your Committee consider to be a great improvement on the present mode of Licensing, insuring a more uniform rule throughout the City, greater experience in the Commissioners, a more thorough acquaintance with the Character and conduct, of those who may [26] be Licensed, and greater independance in the exercise of the discretion with which the Law entrusts the Commissioners of Excise.

They therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the annexed Memorial be authenticated in the usual manner, and with the accompanying Law, forwarded to the Legislature at Albany.

Respectfully submitted

G Lee
J. I. Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott
James Palmer
William W Cowan

A Motion was made to lay the same on the Table which was lost —Alderman Peters then moved that the Bill be amended so as to allow Compensation to the Commissioners this was also lost—A motion was made to change the time of service of Commissioners from Five to Three years this was agreed to—It was then moved that it be referred back to the same Committee this was agreed to—And it was made the order of the day at the next Meeting, and the Report and Memorial were directed to be printed.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of Clerk of Centre Market presented the following Report

[27] The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions hereunto annexed of applicants for the Clerkship of Centre Market

Respectfully Report to the Board.

That they have unanimously selected John Minuse as a fit and proper person to receive the appointment of Clerk for Centre Market, and the Market about to be built on the Third Avenue near Seventh street at the same time they subjoin a List of all the other applicants.

Therefore Resolved that be and he is hereby appointed deputy Clerk of Centre Market, and the Market to be built near the Third Avenue and Seventh street and that the said Clerk conform to the Law laid down for the rule, regulation and government of the Clerk of Fulton Market

Respectfully submitted

John Yates Cebra
Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
Jeremiah Dodge
Bernard J Meserole

Whereupon the Board proceeded to Ballot and John Minuse having a Majority of Votes was declared duly chosen—And it was Resolved that his Compensation be One dollar per Diem.

[28] The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of Clerk of Clinton and Greenwich Markets presented the following Report

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions hereunto annexed of applicants for the Clerkship of the new Clinton Market foot of Canal Street Respectfully Report to the Board—That, that Market is nearly completed, and will be ready for occupation on the first of March next and that it is expedient now to select a suitable person as deputy Clerk for said Market, and include Greenwich Market, and have unanimously determined to recommend James Gilbert the present Clerk of Centre Market, as a fit and proper person to receive the appointment as Clerk of Clinton and Greenwich Markets at the same time they subjoin a List of the other applicants herewith.

Therefore Resolved that be and he is hereby appointed deputy Clerk of Clinton and Greenwich Markets, and that the compensation of said Clerk be Dollars per annum with the privilege of residing in the appartments built for that purpose in Clinton Market. And that said Clerk conform in all manner to the rules and regulations laid down [29] for the Government of the Clerk of Fulton Market

Respectfully submitted

John Yates Cebra
Benjamin M Brown
Bernard J Meserole
W Seaman
Jeremiah Dodge

The Board then proceeded to Ballot and James Gilbert having a Majority of Votes was declared duly chosen deputy Clerk of said Markets —That part of the Report which relates to the Compensation of said Clerk was referred back to the Market Committee to Report thereon.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition for Clerkship of Franklin Market presented the following Report.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions hereunto annexed for the Clerkship of Franklin Market

Respectfully Report to the Board that they have unanimously selected George A Smith as a suitable person to receive said appointment and at same time they subjoin a list of all the applicants

Therefore Resolved that be and he is hereby appointed Clerk of Franklin Market [30] at one dollar per day including the price of sweeping said Market—And that said Clerk conform to the Law laid down for the rule, regulation and Government of the Clerk of Fulton Market

Respectfully submitted

John Yates Cebra
Benjamin M Brown
Bernard J Meserole
William Seaman
Jeremiah Dodge

Whereupon the Board proceeded to Ballot and Richard Smith having a Majority of Votes was declared duly elected deputy Clerk of said Market—That part of the Report relating to compensation of the Clerk was adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions for the Clerkship of Grand Street Essex and Gouverneur Markets presented the following Report.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions hereunto annexed of applicants for the Clerkship of Grand Essex, and Gouverneur Markets—Respectfully Report to the Board—That they have unanimously selected John M Devoy as a suitable person to receive the appointment of Clerk for Grand Essex [31] and Gouverneur Markets—at the same time they subjoin a List of all the applicants.

Therefore Resolved that be and he is hereby appointed deputy Clerk of Grand Essex & Gouverneur Markets and

that said Clerk conform to the Law laid down for the rule regulation, and government of the Clerk of Fulton Market

Respectfully submitted

John Yates Cebra
Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
Bernard J Meserole
Jeremiah Dodge

The Board proceeded to Ballot and John M Devoy having a Majority of Votes was declared duly elected Deputy Clerk of said Markets. That part of the Report relating to the Compensation of said Clerk was referred back to the Market Committee.

The Market Committee presented a Resolution relative to a sale of part of the Stalls in the Grand street Market which was read and laid on the Table.

The Report of the Street Committee made on the 12th January last relative to inundated grounds between 13th & 21st Streets and the 6th Avenue [32] and Bloomingdale Road was called up and referred back to the Street Committee.

The Special Committee on the Quarantine Laws presented a Report together with certain amendments to said Law which were read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions and Remonstrances on the subject of opening Streets between 13th & 21st Streets and also of relieving certain grounds between those streets from the Water standing upon them presented the following Report.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions and remonstrances relating to the opening of Sundry streets between 13th and 21st Streets and also for affording relief to those persons owning and interested in the grounds lying between the Bloomingdale Road and the 6th Avenue and 13th & 21st Streets complaining of the overflowing of their premises in consequence of the obstruction to the Water Course at 13th Street, on all which your Committee Respectfully Report—that, they have again had the subject under their particular consideration, and as the result of their deliberations [33] they recommend that in order that present relief may be afforded to the owners of grounds inundated Easterly of the 5th Avenue that a Trunk or drain commencing at the 5th Avenue be continued to and deliver it[s] waters upon the 6th Avenue at its intersection with 13th Street and to be

so used until some more permanent regulation shall be made of the low grounds in that vicinity And in order such regulation may be carried into effect as soon as may be conveniently be done; the Committee would further recommend that the 5th Avenue be opened between the 13th and 21st Streets. That 15th Street be opened from the Bowery to the Hudson River, And that 17th Street be opened between the Bloomingdale Road and the 6th Avenue.

Your Committee are impressed with the belief that if the foregoing propositions are acceded to and carried into effect the evils so much dep[r]ecated by the proprietors of the low grounds may be averted and all the present cause of complaints in due time be removed or entirely Obviated.

In conformity with this opinion the Committee offer for consideration the following Resolutions.

Resolved that a Trunk or Drain be constructed and laid along the Northerly side of 13th Street between 5th & 6th Avenues.

[34] Resolved that the 5th Avenue be opened and continued to 21st Street.

Resolved that 15th Street be opened and continued from the Bowery to Hudson River.

Resolved that 17th Street be opened and continued from the Bloomingdale Road to the 6th Avenue.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board adopt the necessary measures for having the opening of the 5th Avenue and the Streets contained in the foregoing resolutions carried into effect.

John Lozier
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
Jeremiah Dodge
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

Alderman Lozier presented a Resolution signed by the Committee to open 17th Street from Broadway to the grounds of Mr Stuyvesant near 3d Avenue which was referred to the Street Committee.

A Motion was made to adjourn which was negatived.

[35] Alderman Coe made a Motion, that the Board now proceed to the appointment of Four Collectors of Assessments—Alderman Stevens objected to motion, as he had at the last Meeting given notice of Reconsidering the vote on that subject. Alderman Coe then moved

that the Vote of last meeting be now reconsidered. Alderman Stevens objected to the Motion, that no other person but the one who had given the notice had the privilege of moving to reconsider—The President decided that in the present case Alderman Coe's motion was in order. The subject was accordingly reconsidered and the Vote of last Meeting sustained

Alderman Coe then moved that the Board now proceed to Ballot for Four Collectors of Assessments; Upon the Question of agreeing to the same, a Division was called by Alderman Mott, and the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra I Brown Lozier Coe B M Brown Peters Meserole [36] Ald Dodge Lee Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Bryson Arcularius Strong Seaman Cowan Wells Jeremiah Pinckney Lovett Engs 22

In the Negative Ald Mott Stevens Rogers Mr Seymour 4

So it was carried in the Affirmative—Alderman Stevens then moved to divide the Question and to Ballot for each Collector separately. The President decided the Motion out of order—Alderman Stevens appealed to the Board from the Decision of the Chair A Motion was then made to adjourn which was lost Alderman Stevens not persisting in his appeal. A Motion was made to proceed to the appointment by Ballot which was agreed to—The Board proceeded to Ballot, upon opening and counting the Ballots it appeared that John Hanmer, Gideon Ostrander, Jameson Cox & Thomas Cottrell had each a Majority of Votes and they were declared duly Chosen.

[37] Alderman Cebra presented the following preamble and Resolution.

Whereas owing to the great increase of the number of Daily papers the practice of printing the Corporation proceedings in all of them is attended with great and unnecessary expence Therefore

Resolved that for the future the following Papers to wit the Enquirer, the Evening Post, The Mercantile Advertiser, and the Commercial Advertiser, and no others be employed by this Board, at an expence not exceeding dollars each per Annum.

Which was agreed to except filling up the blank which relates to the Compensation which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Alderman Mott then gave notice of reconsideration at the next Meeting of the Board

Alderman Peters presented the following which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers

& Slips to Report upon the expediency of increasing the Rates of Wharfage of the Public and Private Docks.

[38] Mr Engs according to notice given at the last Meeting called up the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department relative to reducing the time of service of Firemen, Which was read as follows

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Memorial of the Fire Department " praying that the Term of service of Firemen be shortened from Ten to Seven years Ask leave to Report

That your Committee have examined numerous persons connected with said Department as well as others, whose opinions your Committee valued—And although some discrepancy of opinion occurred in these various examinations—Your Committee after mature consideration have come to the conclusion to recommend the adoption of the Resolution annexed.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board prepare a Law, and cause the same to be presented to the Legislature for enactment, providing that all persons who shall become Firemen after the 1st of February Inst shall be required to serve but seven years, and that all present members having served Seven, Eight, or Nine years, shall be required to serve but one year more, And all present members having served Six years or a less term than six years be required to serve so much longer as shall make [39] up their whole term of Service to Eight years

G Lee
James I Roosevelt Jr
James Palmer

Whereupon the same was approved and the Resolution adopted.

Mr Bryson gave notice that he would at some future day move for the abolishment of the Office of Collectors of Assessments

Alderman Mott moved that the Special Committee on the Alms House be discharged from the consideration of a Resolution relative to employing Paupers & Children in the Alms House presented 20th October 1828 and that the same be referred to the Special Committee on that part of the Mayors speach which relates to Paupers of which Mr Engs is Chairman—Which was agreed to.

Mr Engs presented the following which was referred to the Watch Committee.

Resolved that the Watch Committee be requested to Report their opinion as to the expediency and advantages of employing Special Watchmen for the principal Markets in the City

[40] Mr Engs presented the following which was referred to the Committee on cleaning Streets.

Resolved that the Committee "to regulate the cleaning of Streets be instructed to enquire and Report without delay whether it is expedient to provide for Sweeping the Streets at Public Expence, and that they report estimates of such modes of doing it as may be suggested to them with their opinion as to the most economical & feasible plan.

The Comptroller presented the following Report.

Balance as per Actt 26 Jany	20.89
Recd for Tax of 1828	33.200.
" Streets	9978.94
" Rents	1960.31
" Fines of Sheriff	878.06
" Justices Courts	648.01
" Docks & Slips	600.
" Superior Court fees	373.50
" Mayoralty fees	53.
" Wells & Pumps	39.
	$47.751.71

114 Accounts audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart	Watch	1st Dist		1386.
Astin & Field	do	2d "		945.
Stagg & Herring	do	3d "		945.
[41] J Morton	Clerk C C	1 Qr	Salary—1 Feby	500.
A B Martling	Keeper City Hall	1 Qr	"	250.
Astin & Higbe	Asst do	1 Mo	"	77.
C Myers	Keeper Potters field	"	"	69.
John G Bogert	Inspector of Hacks	"	2d "	66.66
O Ayres	Asst City Inspector	"	1st "	60.75
J Coffin	Do	"	"	60.75
D J Burger	reg 4 Public Clocks	1 Qr	"	50.00
C Gillman	Keeper Battery	1 Mo	"	38.75
J. J. Shoemaker	St Inspector 1s Ward	1 Mo	"	46.50
T Woolcocks	do 2d	"	"	46.50
J. B Ebbetts	Do 3d	"	"	46.50
N B Lyon	Do 4th	"	"	46.50
I. A Isaacs	Do 5th	"	"	46.50
S Waddell	Do 6th	"	"	46.50
B Fuller	Do 7th	"	"	46.50
W G Babb	Do 8th	"	"	46.50
H Mott	Do 9th	"	"	46.50
T Austin	Do 10th	"	"	46.50
H Keyser	Do 11th	"	"	46.50
D Hubbard	Do 13th	"	"	46.50
B OConner	Do 14th	20 days to 27 Jany		39.

M Ulshoeffer drawing Certificates Leases &c.....	436.63
Richd Patten for Transit Instrument City Hall.....	500.
Jackson & Hicks Coach hire to House Refuge &c.....	32.
J. M Thomas Sunday service 6th Ward 9 days to 1 Jany...	13.50
[42] A. B. Martling Expences of Corporation & Courts at C Hall 1 Qr 1 Feby.....	404.80
S Fleet sunday service 6th Ward 5 days to 1 Jany.....	7.50
J. M Bloodgood Superdt Street 1 Qr 1 Feby.....	375.
J. Rapleyea Asst do " "	250.
Geo: B Thorp Keeper City Prison & 2 Depys Salary 26 Jany & 1 Feby	486.30
John J Howe Physician do 1 Novr to 26 Jany	71.66
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health 1 Mo 1 Feby.....	54.
A Parker do " "	54.
J Coffin Asst City Inspectr removing Nuisances 1 Mo 1 Feb	26.31
Jas Seaman Clerk Manhattan Market 1 Mo 1 Feby.....	31.
R Smith do Franklin " "	42.62
Geo Duryea Do Fulton " "	41.67
I Asten Sweeper do " "	46.19
J Bremner Clerk Catharine " "	62.
J Gilbert Clerk 3 Markets " "	65.
P Amerman do Do " "	54.50
L Baum do Do " "	80.67
J Jones Chief Justice Superior Court 1 Qr "	625.
T J Oakley do Do " "	625.
J. O Hoffman Do Do " "	625.
Jacob Hays for Officers Attends Courts " "	1630.
Geo B Raymond for Officers Servg Supbeonas " "	168.12
J Kent Counsel fee relating to Special Sessions Ordrd 26 Jany	50.
John P. Roome Crier of Court 1 Qr Salary 3d Feby.....	50.
D T Valentine Marshall Marine Court 1 Mo 1 Feby.....	33.75
J Hammond Justice 1. 2. 3 Wards 1 Qr Salary 1 Feby	400.
[43] E Morrell " 4. 6 do 1 Qr 1 Feby.....	400.
H Meigs " 5. 8. 14th do " "	400.
H Scovell " 7. 10. 13 Do " "	400.
E T. Pinckney " 9. 11 Do " "	400.
D M Cowdrey Clerk Court 1. 2. 3 Wards 1 Qr "	187.50
Geo: Betts " 4. 6 Wards " "	187.50
J Campbell " 5. 8. 14 do " "	187.50
Jas Lozier " 7. 10. 13 do " "	187.50
R L Jacques " 9. 11 do " "	187.50
Richd Varick Rent of Court 1. 2. 3 Wards " "	60.
Wm Young " 4. 6 do " "	32.50
Wm M Shepherd " 5. 8. 14 " " "	31.25
Wm M Whitaker " 7. 10. 13 " " "	25.
Daniel Aim " 9. 11 " " "	25.
Gould & Banks 25 State Laws 1828 & 25 Revised Laws.....	101.25

National Advocate Subscription 15 Dec to 1 Feby	12.78
John Morrison work at Lamps & Gas Lights	19.50
Chandler & Lanman Setting Lamp posts &c 1 Qr 1 Feby	87.50
R Provoost painting & repairg Lamps 1 Mo 1 Feby	286.42
G Snethen lighting Lamps " "	1631.28
Saml Judd 29 Casks Oil	1766.38
P Van Pelt printing 1 Qr 1 Feby	526.75
Geo T Trimble Treasr Public Schools ½ Lottery Licences 27 Decr 1828	500.
Francis Darling Treasr of Asylum for lying in Women orderd 26 Jany	200.
Corns DuBois Treasr Humane Society do	200.
Henry F Blackwell Awd openg 86th St fm 8 Avenue to E River	1125.
[44] Heirs of Wm Waldron Do Do " "	593.33
Isaac Chauncey Do Do " "	331.12
Joseph Foulke Do Do " "	13.
Heirs of Wm Edgar Do Do " "	54.
J Thurston Atty for D Waldron Do Do " "	296.67
O McCabe Actt reg & pav Avenue D from North to near 8th St	700.
S Fargay Actt repav Duane from Hudson to Greenwich St	500.
T Cumming bal reg & pav Wooster fm 4th to 6th Street	431.61
P Smith Actt repav Nassau fm Cedar St to Maiden Lane	250.
H Cochran Actt repav Reed St fm Broadway to Washington St	250.
T Cumings bal reg & pav Charles fm Washington St to Greenwich Lane	183.53
O Smith pavg Duane fm Caroline to West St	81.29
S Fargay bal repavg Maiden Lane & other Streets	24.52
E W Bridges Surveys &c 1 Qr 1 Jany	555.85
Edwd Doughty Do " "	503.43
Wm B Doughty Do " "	55.01
S Fargay repairs Intersections & Accepted Streets 1st Ward	1806.64
S Fargay do Do 4th Ward	601.10
S Fargay Do Do 10 Ward	218.50
S Morris Repairs Culverts Canal & Grand Streets	14.
J Gallagher Jur 1st payt Well Wooster b Spring & Prince St	20.27
Wm Badeau bal Well Columbia near Stanton St	13.75
J M Bloodgood Acct of Abm Stagg filling Bulkhead Delancey Slip	253.43
H Miner Actt contract reducing 3d Avenue fm 91st to Bensons bridge	500.
R Graves St Comr for Repairs Roads	250.
J Fleming Treasr to pay interst on City Stock 1 Qr 1 Feby	5000.
[45] J Fleming Treasr Salary half year to 1 Feby 1829	250.
Blauvelt & Stewart Extra Watch 1st Dist 31st Decr 1828	395.25
Asten & Hibberd do 2d " "	268.50
Stagg & Herring Do 3d " "	278.50

J Hays for 77 Peace Officers 21st & 31st Decemr 1828.....	217.50	
New York Gas Light Co for Posts Pipes &c 31 Decr 1827 to 27 Jany 1829.....	2477.15	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House.....	8800.	47.745.19
	Balance	$6.52

Board adjourned to Monday next at 5 OClock P M

[46] In Common Council February 16th 1829

(Adjourned Meeting)

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	David Bryson
Isaac Brown	Henry Arcularius
David Rogers	George D Strong
John Lozier	William Seaman
William S Coe	William W Cowan
Benjamin M Brown	James N Wells
John R Peters	Thomas Jeremiah
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Pinckney
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Cooper
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

The Mayor stated that he presumed the order of proceeding would be to take up the unfinished [47] business of last Meeting—Accordingly Reports from Departments were called for.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz

No	1. J R Livingston	Owner			Anthony St	A privy
	2. M Sitcher	Do	No	63	Bayard	Do
	3. D Vanarsedale	Agent		77	Do	Do
	4. Js McCready	Do		92	Do	Do
	5. J Lang	owner		53	Beaver St	Do
	6. Sl Brower	Do		254	Canal St	Do
	7. Pr Carroll	Do		12	Centre St	Do
	8. L Fisher	Do		18	Do	Do
	9. Js Burgess	Do		38	Do	Do

No 10.	G Lorillard	owner	58	Centre St	A privy
11.	Do	Do	62	Do	Do
12.	P Schermerhorn Jr	Do		Chapel St	Do
13.	Jno Morris	Do	30	Cross St	Do
14.	B McGowan	Do	32	Do	Do
15.	J R Livingston	Do	60	Do	Do
16.	Do	Do	64	Do	Do
17.	Do	Do	66	Do	Do
18.	J Mehin	Do	90	Do	Do
19.	M Lambert	Agent	27	Elizabeth St	Do
20	R Archibald	Do	59	Do	Do
21.	[48] E Ward	Owner	21	Elm St	Do
22.	Hy Durell	Do	23	Do	Do
23.	Fs B Lynch	Do	27	Do	Do
24.	Al Haines	Do	29	Do	Do
25.	Wm Hendrick	Do	41	Do	Do
26.	J Bull	Lessee	43	Do	Do
27.	B Smith	Owner	109	Franklin St	Do
28.	J. M Bradhurst	Do	123	Do	Do
29.	Wm Littlewood	Do	154	Hester St	Do
30.	Do	Do	156	Do	Do
31.	B Ogden	Do	158	Do	Do
32.	Do	Do	160	Do	Do
33	S Bedell	Do	161	Do	Do
34.	Do	Do	163	Do	Do
35.	J Sivalls	Do	164	Do	Do
36.	S Bedell	Do	169	Do	Do
37.	J Fountain	Do	170	Do	Do
38.	A Vanboskirk	Do	171	Do	Do
39.	Rt Haines	Do	172	Do	Do
40.	J Underhill	Do	189	Do	Do
41.	M Townsend	Do	198	Do	Do
42.	J Beekman	Do	211	Do	Do
43.	M Butler	Do	7	Howard St	Do
44.	H Collins	Lessee	8½	Do	Do
45.	H Hawker	owner	250	Hudson St	Do
46.	A A Day	Do	252	Do	Do
47.	J *Ready* [Gerken]	Lessee	131	Leonard St	Do
48.	[49] J Burgess	Owner	135	Do	Do
49.	Do	Do	137	Do	Do
50.	*E Jarrad* [J Gerard]	Lessee	144	Do	Do
51.	Wm C French	owner	146	Do	Do
52.	Wm Mehin	Occupt	148	Do	Do
53.	M Brown	Lessee	152	Do	Do
54.	J D Ditmus	owner	156	Do	Do
55.	G Lorillard	do	158	Do	Do
56.	S Blanke	Lessee	160	Do	Do
57.	Estate of Burger	owner	19	Mott St	Do
58.	B Disbrow	Do	38	Do	Do

59.	J Walsh	owner	41	Mott St	A privy
60.	Sl Weeks	Do	45	Do	Do
61.	C Steward	Do	52	Do	Do
62.	E Anderson	Lessee	64	Do	Do
63.	R Mumby	owner	71	Do	Do
64.	L Burtis	Do	75	Do	Do
65.	Jms Carr	Lessee	77	Do	Do
66.	R. Vantassel	Do	92	Do	Do
67.	E Ward	owner	100	Do	Do
68.	C Crane	Do	104	Do	Do
69.	Pp Ryan	Do	105	Do	Do
70.	J Hitchcock	Do	111	Do	Do
71.	A Gallagher	Lessee	112	Do	Do
72.	J Hitchcock	owner	113	Do	Do
73.	T Ketchum	Occupt	120	Do	Do
74.	P. J Schermerhorn	owner	124	Do	Do
75.	[50] J Hichcock	Do	137	Do	Do
76.	Do	Do	139	do	Do
77.	Do	Do	139½	Do	Do
78.	Do	Do	141	Do	Do
79.	Wm Strong	Do	14	Mulberry St	Do
80.	E Holmes	Do	16	Do	Do
81.	M Smith	Do	48	Do	Do
82.	Do	Do	50	Do	Do
83.	Sl Holmes	Do	64	Do	Do
84.	Ts Mooney	Do	135	Pump St	Do
85.	Bn B Edwards	Do	137	Do	Do
86.	E Logue	Do	161	Do	Do
87	G Downing	Do	175	Do	Do
88.	M Spencer	Do	37	Sullivan St	Do
89.	J Davidson	Do	1	Vestry St	Do
90.	Jb Barker	Do		Broome St	A Lot
91.	J Field	Do	32	Mercer St	A Privy
92.	J Gilbert	Do		Eleventh St	A Lot
93.	A S. Pell	Do		Amity Street	Do

George Cuming
City Inspector

Which were passed

The Counsel presented a Memorial and the Draft of an Amendment of the Act entitled "An Act relative to the District Attorney and other Officers of criminal Justice in the City of New York" altering [51] the duties of the Clerk of Police Office, so as to be relieved from the duty of rendering in his Account to the Comptroller the amount of Monies received in each case, but to return the Amount received daily. Which were read and directed to be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

The Counsel presented the following formal Resolutions relative to opening 5th Avenue and 15th & 17th Streets.

I. Resolved that it is desirable for Public convenience that 5th Avenue be opened and continued to 21st Street. Also that 15th Street be opened and continued from the Bowery to Hudson River—Also that 17th Street be opened and continued from the Bloomingdale Road to the 6th Avenue, As the said 5th Avenue 15th and 17th Streets were respectively laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled " An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes " passed April 3d 1807. And that the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done, And that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary applications to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessments in the premises in order that the same may be carried into effect.

[52] II. Resolved that the Petition to the Supreme Court in the above matters be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Which were passed.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well & Pump in Vestry street near Washington street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For laying the Side walks of Division street between Clinton and Gouverneur Streets and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in Barrow street near Bedford street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in Hudson street near Perry street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For building a Sewer in North street between Avenue D and the East River and Gideon Ostrander appointed Collector.

[53] For paving Second street from Avenue B to North street and Gideon Ostrander appointed Collector.

For regulating and Repaving Madison street from Pike to Rutgers street and Jameson Cox appointed Collector

For pitching and paving Mangin street from Broome to Delancy street and Jameson Cox appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments Vizt For opening 17th Street from

the 6th Avenue to Fitz Roi Road—And also for a Well & Pump in 21st Street near the 8th Avenue—Whereupon Warrants were ordered to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessments for opening 19th & 20th Streets from the 6th to the 8th Avenue—Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen—Whereupon the [54] Resignations were Accepted and the Appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 19

George Henry Ramppen Harness Maker 82 Pump St
Vc Jabez Fisher Expelled for neglect of Duty

No 20.

James H Greenfield Accountant 9 Pine Street
Vc Bernard C Thompson—Deceased

No 21.

Henry Cunningham Accountant 515 Pearl St
Vc William Stackhouse Time Expired

No 23.

Abraham B Carman Shoemaker 216 Greenwich St
Vc Richard Ackerman Resigned
Cornelius Vanderbilt Sugar Baker 162 Church St
Vc William Gardner Resigned

No 32

William A Walker Brass Founder 149 Orange St
Vc James Allen Time Expired

No 33

Augustus Wright Copper Smith 130 Cherry St
Vc Rinaldo Gage Resigned

No 36.

Richard S Roome Mason 33 Dominick St
Vc Robert L Hallock Resigned
John Penton Carpenter 40 Varick St
Vc Belthazer Melick—Time Expired

[55] N° 40.

Jacob H Ridabock Butcher 15 Spring S^t^
V^c^ Samuel J Price—Resigned

Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 1.

John W Towt Saddler Old Slip V^c^ John M^c^Crea—Resigned
Ichabod Williams Cabinet Maker Beaver S^t^
William Crane—Resigned

N° 2.

Robert E Roberts Saddler 196 Madison S^t^
V^c^ George Paulding—App^d^ a Warden

N° 3

Robert Broadwell Timothy Minor John Degraw Jacob Morris Resigned

A Petition of Benjamin Haight & a large number of others Merchants and Traders against the practice of persons Hawking and Pedling goods foreign & Domestic in the City was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of John Jacob Astor for a Grant of Lands under water between the Great Kill Road and Twelfth street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[56] A Petition of Benjamin Griffin for Stall N° in Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of William Lee for the Office of Inspector of Lumber was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Martin S Wilkins William Bowne and others to have a more convenient place assigned for the sale of Hay was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of William S Watkins to commute for the Quit Rent on a Water Lot on the North River in the Eighth Ward was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of George G Burras to have an extension of time allowed to build a Fire proof House on Lot N° 265 William street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial of Thomas Mehin against opening a Public Square in the 6^th^ Ward was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[57] A Petition of the Butchers of Spring street Market remonstrating against all the Stalls in Clinton Market being sold at Auction, as they consider that as they are to be removed from the Stalls they at

present occupy, they are entitled to a preference of the Stalls in Clinton Market, which was referred to the Market Committee.

A Remonstrance of Alfred S Pell against opening 4th Avenue from the Bowery to the Old Boston Post Road was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Ferris Pell to be relieved from a Fine for neglecting to fill a Lot was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Memorial of Peter Myers & others to have the Old Kingsbridge Road closed from 125th Street to the intersection of the same with the 8th Avenue was read and referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of John Deavenport and others praying that Stalls may be granted to them either in Grand street, or Centre Market or that they may be permitted to remain where they now are at the corner of Bowery and Second street, and also [58] that the suits may be discontinued which have been commenced against them for standing at said place was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Tobias Boudinot Jr for Grant of Stall No 40 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board a Copy of a Presentment of the Grand Jury suggesting for the approbation of the Board a proposed Amendment to the 1st Section of the Act to protect Banks against embezzlement by their Agents &c was read and referred to the Law Committee

The Counsel presented the Draft of an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled an Act granting privileges to the Firemen of the City of New York passed April 12. 1816—Whereupon Alderman Lee presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board prepare a Memorial to the Legislature for the passage of the annexed Amendment to the Act entitled "An Act granting privileges to the Firemen of the City of New York" And that his Honor the Mayor be authorised to authenticate the same during [59] the recess of the Board.

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Bank of Savings for the year 1828 presented agreeably to Law, was read and ordered to be filed.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature presented the following Report on the Petition of the Lyceum of Natural History praying the Common Council to join with them in their Memorial to the Legislature

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the annexed communication, from the Lyceum of Natural

History with the accompanying Memorial to the Legislature Respectfully Report

That it is the object of the applicants to induce the State, to make some experiments by boring the Earth, for the discovery of further supplies of Coal, of the existence of which the Memorialists think there is certain evidence, in various parts of the State And they suggest to the Common Council the propriety of their joining in such application.

The cost of Fuel annually consumed in this City is estimated at Two Millions of Dollars; any measures therefore, which tend to increase the supply, and consequently lessen the [60] price of this necessary article, must be interesting to our growing population—Your Committee therefore offer the following Resolutions.

Resolved that this Common Council approve of the objects of the intended application of the Lyceum of Natural History, to the Legislature of the State praying them to direct experiments by boring the Earth for the discovery of Coal, and recommend the same to the support of the delegation from the City and County of New York.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council transmit to the Members of the Legislature from this City a copy of the above resolution

All which is respectfully submitted

James Palmer
G. Lee
W W Cowan
James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Memorial to the Legislature, and the draught of a Law for altering the present mode of issuing Tavren Licences presented the following Report

The Committee on Applications to [61] the Legislature to whom was referred the annexed Bill and Memorial for altering the present mode of issuing Tavren Licences beg leave to

Report

That after mature examination and calling to their aid the experience and opinions of some of our most discreet and patriotic Citizens they are unable to suggest any beneficial amendment to the proposed plan either in principle or detail, other than the single one which fol-

lows Viz—in the second section of the bill, after the words "three years" insert "unless sooner removed by the Common Council" with this amendment your Committee recommend the Bill and memorial to be duly authenticated and forwarded to the Legislature

Respectfully submitted

G Lee
James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott
James Palmer
W W Cowan

For original Report see this Volume page 25—The Bill reported was as follows.

An Act relative to granting Licences in the City of New York for Inns & Tavrens, or for vending Liquors

The People of the State of New York [62] represented in Senate and Assembly do declare and enact as follows

§1. That it shall and may be lawful for the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, in Common Council convened, to nominate and appoint, under the Common seal of the said City, five persons, being inhabitants of the said City, to be, and they shall be, called and known as, The Commissioners for Collecting the duty of Excise of and from the several vendors of, or dealers in, strong or spirituous Liquors in the said City; which said person and no other person or persons whatsoever, being so appointed, or any three of them, shall have power and authority in pursuance of the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to lay a duty on strong Liquors, and for regulating Inns and Taverns," or of any Act amending the same, and in pursuance of the provisions of the Charter of the said City, to grant Licences to such persons as they shall deem fit and proper, to retail strong or spiritous Liquors, or to keep an Inn or Tavren, public ordinary or victualling house within the said City

§2. That the said Commissioners shall hold their Offices or appointments for the term of three years, and the said Common Council shall have power to fill all vacancies which shall be occasioned by the [63] death, or resignation, or removal from the City, of any such Commissioner.

§3. That the said Commissioners, or any three of them, shall have full power and authority, from time to time, at their pleasure, to revoke and annul, or suspend any such License to be by them granted as aforesaid, and for any cause or reason which to them may seem sufficient.

§4. That the said Commissioners shall recieve no Salary or compensation for their services.

§5. That the said Common Council shall in like manner from time to time appoint during pleasure, a Clerk to the said Board of Commissioners, who shall receive all the monies for Licences, and Account for and pay over the same weekly to the Chamberlain of the said City, and oftener, if the said Commissioners, or any three of them, shall so direct, which Clerk shall give a Bond to the Mayor Alderman and Commonalty of the City of New York in the sum of $ with two sureties to be approved of by the Mayor of the said City conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of his Office according to this Law; and that the Salary or compensation of such Clerk shall be fixed and established and paid by the said Common Council.

§6. [64] That the first and sixth Sections of the Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act, entitled an Act to lay a duty on Strong Liquors, and for regulating Inns and Taverns, so far as it relates to the City of New York, and for other purposes" passed April 10. 1824 be and the same are hereby repealed; And that the first section of the Act amending the same, passed April 16. 1825, be, and the same is hereby repealed; and that all the other sections of the said Laws, and also the Law to define and amend the second section of the said first mentioned Act passed April 14. 1827. be, and the same are hereby declared to be in full force, and to apply to this Law, in like manner as if the provisions of this Law were incorporated in, and made part of the said first mentioned law, at the time of the passage thereof

§7. That if any person shall have his or her license suspended or revoked in the said City pursuant to the provisions of this Law, or the Laws hereby amended, such person shall, for every violation of the provisions thereof after such suspension or revocation, be deemed as never having had such License, and to be liable to all the penalties thereby prescribed.

§8. That the Recognizances to be made and entered into by persons licensed to retail Liquors as aforesaid shall be according to the provisions contained in the 244th Section of the Act of April 9. [65] 1813 entitled "An Act to reduce several Laws relating particularly to the City of New York into one Act."

The Question was taken on agreeing to the Report, Memorial and Bill, and a division having been called by Alderman Dodge the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Alderman Mott Stevens Rogers Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Cowan Wells Cooper Engs 12

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra Lozier Coe Brown Peters Meserole Dodge Mr Bryson Arcularius Strong Seaman Jeremiah Pinckney Lovett 15

So it passed in the Negative

Alderman Rogers moved that the Amendment proposed to the Revised Statute of the [66] State which treats of Public Health and was made the order of the day be now considered. The question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative.

Alderman Mott agreeably to notice given at the last Meeting moved that the Board now reconsider the Vote given on the Resolution proposed by Alderman Cebra respecting the employment of printers to the Corporation—The question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative

After some discussion it was moved that the Resolution be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Committee appointed for that purpose by the Members of the Bar of this City, be and they are hereby authorised under the direction of the Law Committee of this Board to place a Bust of the late Thomas Addis Emmet, with a suitable Tablet and inscription in the Court Room now occupied by the Library of the Law Institute.

[67] Alderman Dodge presented the following which was referred to the Market Committee

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs cause a Bell to be fixed in the Manhattan Market.

Alderman Palmer presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Law Committee. Resolved that it is expedient to revive the Law against Masquerade Balls in this City and that it be referred to the Committee on Laws to Report an Ordinance on that subject with such amendments to the former Law as they shall judge expedient

Mr Strong moved that the Board now proceed to elect an Inspector of Streets for the 6th Ward which was agreed to, and the Board proceeded to Ballot for a person to fill that Office

On the first Ballot several persons being voted for and neither having a Majority, there was no choice

On the second Ballot Samuel Waddell & William H Sparks had each fourteen Votes there being still no choice—The Board proceeded to a third Ballot when William H Sparks had fifteen Votes which being a Majority of Votes he was declared duly Chosen.

[68] Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on the Fire Department to Report whether the erection of a Supply Engine near the Sixth Avenue is necessary for the purposes of the Fire Department in that Vicinity and that they Report the probable Cost.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Resolved that application be made to the Legislature of this State to extend the Fire Limits to all that part of the 14th Ward not embraced in the present Law

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was Laid on the Table.

Resolved that in all cases one of the Commissioners of the Alms House and one of the Police Magistrates be requested to be present at each regular sitting of the Mayor & respective Alderman and Assistants for granting Licences to retail Spiritous Liquors.

[69] Mr Cowan presented the following Resolution which was laid on the Table.

Resolved that the President of the Board of Health be, and is hereby authorised, to consult with and obtain the written opinions of three Physicians of Talent & experience, and who maintain the Theory of the foreign origin of Yellow Fever, as to the propriety of adopting the amendments to the Health Law, proposed by the Special Committee—And also whether other amendments can be made to said Law, beneficial to the Commercial interests of, and consistent with the entire and perfect safety of the City.

Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the Committee on Streets be requested to take the necessary measures to have West street opened between Hoboken Street and Canal street.

Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Whereas frequent complaints are made to this Board stating that Assessments are often confirmed without the knowledge of those interested therefore

Resolved that in addition to the usual advertisement [70] in the Newspapers, that the Street Commissioner be directed to cause such number of Hand bills posted in the vicinity of the property Assessed as he may think proper.

Alderman Stevens presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that in all Assessments, hereafter, to be presented to the Supreme Court for confirmation the Counsel of this Board be and he is hereby instructed to oppose the allowance of more than One per Cent on the Amount of any such Assessment to the Collector thereof.

Resolved that it shall be the duty of the Street Commissioner, to state in his reports of Assessments to this Board whether the Commissioners of Estimate have allowed more than One per Cent, to the Collector of any such Assessment which shall hereafter be presented for confirmation.

Alderman Mott presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be directed to have a Survey & Map made of the Second Ward for the purpose of Assessing the Taxes

Alderman Lee presented the following [71] Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that the Finance Committee Compile and Report to the Common Council either in Manuscript or in print a perfect Schedule of all the Real and Personal estate belonging to the Corporation annexing to each parcel and Item, such full description of situation Value rent income or capacity of improvement and such other circumstances in relation to the same as shall enable the Board as well as the Committee to Act understandingly on the system of Finance which the Committee have been instructed to Report.

Resolved that the Committee have power to draw from the Treasury not exceeding Three hundred Dollars in executing the foregoing Resolution

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee

Resolved that the Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed as soon as conveniently may be to prepare & Print for the use of the Members of the Common Council, a Schedule of the Public property designating particularly the names of the respective occupants, and the respective revenues derived therefrom.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was *was* referred to the Committee [72] on Public Offices

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Public Offices to inquire and Report whether any and what further privision is necessary for the better accommodation of Jurors and Courts of Justice in this City.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

Resolved that the Clerk cause notice to be given to the proprietors of the Museum, and to the occupants of all the Rooms and buildings on Chamber street, that the apartments occupied by them in the Institution are immediately required for the Public uses of the City.

The Recorder presented the following Ordinance which was passed under the Title of " A Law to amend a Law entitled a Law respecting Oaths "

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened, that every person appointed to any Office or the performance of any duty by and under the Common Council previous to entering upon the Duties of said Office shall take and [73] subscribe an Oath or Affirmation before the Mayor or in his absence the Recorder faithfully to perform the duties of said Office.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next at 5 OClock. the regular Meeting.

[74] In Common Council February 23d 1829

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Alderman	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
John Lozier	George D Strong
William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	James N Wells
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Pinckney
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
Thomas T Woodruff	John Lovett
	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and re*ferred* [approved].

A Petition of a number of persons Owners of property in the vicinity of the Five points [75] to have the Triangular piece of ground taken for Public purposes, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Jane Lynch to have an Error in her Assessment corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Communication from Samuel Blackwell Junior relative to repairing the Bridge at the Hell Gate Ferry was read and referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of the Female Assistance Society for the Relief & Religious instruction of Sick Poor women & Children for a donation from the Common Council was read and referred to the Committee on Charity.

A Petition of Benjamin Bailey and others and also Moses Coddington & others praying that Duane Market may be repaired and extended was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Cornelius Timpson to be appointed a Measurer of grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

[76] A Petition of a number of persons to have a Well & Pump placed on the South Easterly corner of Washington & Canal Streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Robert Pettigrew for an Advance of $4000, on the Contract for regulating & paving Third Avenue from the Bowery to 13th Street and also for regulating Fifth street from Avenue C to Mangin Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Owen Kirk for a remission of a fine for driving Cart with a different number, to which he was entitled was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of James H Hackett for leave to erect a Portico in front of the entrance to Chatham Theatre was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of George Wood for Stall N° 8 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[77] A Petition of Samuel Shurlott for a Butchers Stall in the New Market at the foot of Canal street was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of a number of Inhabitants for a Well and Pump in Lombardy Street near Clinton Street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 7th Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of Thomas Howard for the Office of Ballast Master was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Ephraim Force and others praying that two Additional Measure[r]s of Charcoal may be appointed was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Remonstrance of John N Moore and others against the Petition of Perkins Nicolls & others to have a floating Bridge erected at the foot of 9th Street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Remonstrance of William Berwick and others against opening McDougal street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[78] A Petition of Benjamin Penny to be released from the Payment of part of his Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of sundry Persons for the Establishment of a Hay Scales in the vicinity of the Market to be built adjacent to the 3d Avenue was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Wilfred Simpson praying to be appointed Street Inspector of one of the Wards was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Asa Hall and a number of others to have a Pier built at the foot of Hammond Street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Memorial of the Manumission Society in favor of the extension of Public Schools was read and laid on the Table.

A Memorial of the National Academy of Design for the use of the Rooms at present occupied by the Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb in the Old Alms House [79] which it is understood is shortly to be relinquished by them was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Joseph Martin for a Water Grant in front of his property in the Seventh Ward was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Remonstrance of the Lessee of the Vauxhall Garden against opening Sixth street from the Bowery to Broadway was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Anthony Tierman and a number of others to have 18th Street opened from the Bowery to Fitz Roy Road was read and referred to the Street Committee

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have

20th Street dug out and regulated between the 8th and 9th Avenues presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have the 20th Street dug out and regulated between the Eighth and Ninth Avenues Respectfully

Report

[80] That in the opinion of the Committee the request of the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Twentieth street be regulated from the Eighth, to the Ninth Avenue

John Lozier
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
John R Peters
Jeremiah Dodge

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen Smith and others to have Sixth street filled up and regulated between Avenue C & D presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen Smith and others, to have Sixth Street filled up and regulated between the Avenues C and D respectfully

Report.

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted in part, and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that Sixth street be [81] filled and regulated from Avenue D to Two hundred and fifty feet Westerly therefrom

John Lozier
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe
John R Peters
Jeremiah Dodge

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening and continuing 17th Street from the Bloomingdale Road to 3d Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening and Continuing Seventeenth street from the Bloomingdale Road to the Third Avenue respectfully

Report

That they have viewed the premises and are of the opinion that, that part of 17th Street ought to be opened as proposed for asmuch as that it will complete the Opening of that Street from the East to the North River, and will consequently create a thoroughfare from river to river.

Your Committee accordingly submit the following Resolutions.

Resolved that 17th Street be opened [82] from the Bloomingdale road to the 3d Avenue.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures for having the foregoing resolution carried into effect.

John Lozier
Jeremiah Dodge
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George P Rogers & others to have McDougal Street opened and Continued from 6th to 8th Street presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of N Jackson & others to have 12th Street opened between Broadway and the Bowery presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 12th Street opened between Broadway and the Bowery respectfully

Report

That in their opinion that part of 12th Street [83] ought to be opened, inasmuch as that, that Street on the Westerly side of Broadway and Easterly side of the Bowery has been opened, and the small space now asked for remains of the whole Street—The following Resolutions are therefore submitted.

Resolved that 12th Street be opened between Broadway and the Bowery.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures for having the foregoing resolution carried into Effect.

John Lozier
Jeremiah Dodge
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George P Rogers & others to have Southampton Road closed between the 8th Avenue and 15th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition to have Southampton Road closed between the Eighth Avenue and Fifteenth street, that in their opinion that road or way is no longer required as a Public Highway or for [84] individual convenience, and therefore ought to be closed; Accordingly they recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Southampton Road so called be closed between the Eighth Avenue and the Fifteenth Street.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board adopt the necessary measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect.

John Lozier
Jeremiah Dodge
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Sixth Avenue between 6th and 13th Streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the Sixth Avenue between Sixth and Thirteenth street Respectfully

Report.

That in their opinion the paving of that Avenue is much required, as thereby the necessity of laying a Trunk or drain to convey off the waters from [85] above 13th Street to the Minetto Sewer will be dispensed with, and the present Nuisance on that Avenue abated—In

order therefore that it may be carried into effect the Committee recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Sixth Avenue be paved between the Sixth and Thirteenth Streets

John Lozier
Jeremiah Dodge
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Mulberry Street paved from Prince to Bleecker Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Mulberry street paved from Prince to Bleecker street Respectfully

Report

That they have viewed the premises, and are of the opinion that the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Mulberry street [86] be paved from Prince Street to Bleecker Street.

John Lozier
Jeremiah Dodge
John R Peters
Thomas T Woodruff
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee presented the following Resolutions which were read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that 14th 15th and 20th Streets be regulated from the Bowery & Bloomingdale Road to the Third Avenue

Resolved that 18th Street be opened from the Bloomingdale Road to Fitz Roy Road.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the subject of reviving the Law relative to Masquerades presented a Report which was laid on the Table—It was afterward called up and referred to the Police Committee.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the presentment of the Grand Jury in relation to certain Amendments in the Act to Protect Banks from embezzlement &c [87] presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the presentment of the

Grand Jury recommending certain alterations in the Act to protect Banks against embezzlements &c

Report.

That they have examined the proposed amendments and are of opinion that they are a proper subject for the consideration of the Legislature—The Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council transmit a certified Copy of the recommendation of the Grand Jury, on the subject of certain amendments in the Law in relation to Banks, to the Members of Assembly from this City

James I Roosevelt Junr
Samuel Stevens
W Seaman
Wm W Cowan
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George G Burras for an extension of time to remove a House presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Finance to whom [88] was referred the Petition of George G Burras praying for an extension of the time within which, by the terms of his Lease, from the Corporation of a House and Lot situate No 265 William Street, he was bound to remove the house erected on the said Lot and erect a fire proof good & substantial building in its place Respectfully

Report

That they have duly considered the subject of the said application, and the grounds upon which the Petitioner has placed the same, and they have come to the conclusion that the reasons offered are not sufficiently strong to Warrant them in reporting favorably thereon—The object of the Covenant which the Petitioner seeks to have Relaxed in his favor, was to compel him to substitute within a reasonable time, a substantial fire proof building in lieu of an old frame building then on the premises. It has been the policy of the Corporation to require such Covenants, as a means of gradual improvement in the condition of the buildings of the City. And it would be bad policy in the opinion of the Committee to absolve Lessees from the strict performance of those Covenants when deliberately entered into.

The Petitioner in the present case has no hardship to complain of and merely asks [89] an indulgence, which if granted might lead to many simular applications from other persons in the same situation,

who might possibly find it inconvenient to comply with the terms of their Leases.

The Committee therefore beg leave to submit the following Resolution for the adoption of the Board.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition presented to this Board by George G. Burras

W Seaman
William W Mott
David Rogers
G Lee
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Application of Edward Higgins to be released from his responsibility as surety for Henry W Peckwell presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the application of Edward Higgins to be released from his responsibility as surety for Henry W Peckwell upon certain terms proposed by him Respectfully

Report

[90] That with a view of determining upon the propriety of making any compromise of the Claim which the Corporation hold against the said Edward Higgins, and if so, upon what terms, it would be advisable to agree to such compromise, the Committee have (so far as the means have been within their power) instituted a strict inquiry into the affairs of the said Edward Higgins and after a careful and deliberate examination of all the Circumstances which they have been able to learn respecting his present means (with the details of which they deem it unnecessary to encumber their Report) They have come to the conclusion that it would be for the interest of the Corporation to accede to the terms last proposed by the said Edward Higgins Viz^{t} The payment of One thousand Dollars in Cash and his promisory note for Five hundred Dollars endorsed by his son
Higgins (whom the Committee believe to be sufficient) payable in Twelve months—The Committee would further state, that a suit has been for some time depending on behalf of the Corporation against the said Edward Higgins for this claim which if the above terms should be accepted, would be discontinued, and in the belief that M^{r} Higgins has it not in his power to do more than is above stated they recommend

that the said suit be discontinued [91] without Costs—They therefore submit the following Resolutions for the adoption of the Board.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board prepare a Release to be executed by the Mayor Alderman and Commonalty to Edward Higgins of all claims and demands which they may have against him as surety for Henry W Peckwell, on his paying the sum of One thousand Dollars in Cash and giving his Promissory note for Five hundred dollars payable at Twelve months and endorsed by Higgins, and that all legal proceedings now depending by and in the name of the said Mayor Alderman & Commonalty against the said Edward Higgins be discontinued without requiring any Costs from the said Edward Higgins: provided however that nothing shall be done in pursuance of this Resolution that may in any manner affect the validity of the Claim of the said Mayor Alderman & Commonalty against the said Henry W Peckwell

W Seaman
William W Mott
G Lee
David Rogers
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[92] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of David P Hall for an apportionment of an Assessment presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of David P Hall for an Apportionment of Taxes respectfully Report

That in their opinion the Prayer of the Petitioner is reasonable and ought to be granted They accordingly offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Collector of Arrears of Taxes is hereby authorised to receive from David P Hall the sum of Five dollars & forty Cents (with the interest that may be due thereon) as the Tax of 1827 on Three Lots on 5th Street and one on Avenue C designated on Ewens Map of the 11th Ward by the numbers 63. 64. 65 & 75

W Seaman
David Rogers
William W. Mott
John R. Peters
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of P Simmons A Ross & others relative to the Assessment for building a Bulk head &c [93] across Spring Street Basin presented a Report which was Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas H Leggett for Walter Franklin and others praying the Corporation to purchase a Lot of Land corner of Madison & Oliver streets presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the Petition presented by Thomas H Leggett on behalf of Walter Franklin and others respectfully Report

That they have examined the subject of the said Petition and find that the Petitioners were owners of a Lot of ground on the Corner of Banker and Oliver Streets. That nearly all the said Lot was taken for the purpose of widening Bancker street leaving the Petitioners a narrow Strip of between 2 & 3 feet in Breadth fronting the whole length thereof on what is now Madison street. That no objections were or now are made to the poceedings for widening said street on the ground of unfairness or irregularity, but the Petitioners allege that the remnant or Strip left to them is too small to improve, and they Complain of the amount of Assessments laid upon it.

Finally they ask either that the Corporation should now take the said Strip of ground or pay [94] them for the same in like manner as they would have been allowed therefor, if the whole of their Lot had been required for widening Bancker Street, or that they be released from the payment of certain Assessments alleged in the Petition to amount to upwards of $300 now remaining against it.

Your Committee are satisfied that it would be inexpedient to take or purchase the said Strip of ground from the Petitioners in the manner proposed by them, even if such an arrangement could now be effected, which, owing to the situation of the Petitioners they believe would be impossible; And as to the other part of the prayer of said Petition your Committee are constrained to say that although some hardship may exist in this particular case from Circumstances over which this Board have no Controul, yet as it has not been made to appear to them that the Assessments due on said property were estimated on any improper or unusual principle, it would be establishing a bad precedent, which might open the door to similar applications from other quarters, if the relief sought for should be granted in this instance—They therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the Prayer of said Petition

W Seaman
[95] William W Mott
David Rogers
John R Peters
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Jacob Astor for a Grant of ground under Water lying between the Great Kill Road and Twelfth street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the Petition of John Jacob Astor praying for a grant of the Land under Water opposite to the Land lying between the Great Kill Road and Twelfth street Respectfully Report

That the object of M^r^ Astor as represented to them is to make extensive improvements in that part of the City by filling up the premises of which he desires a Grant—That as such improvements when completed will be of great utility, and as the work proposed to be done, will furnish employment to a large number of persons; The Committee are of opinion that it would be expedient to comply with the prayer of the said Petition, and they offer the following Resolution for that purpose

Resolved that a Grant be prepared [96] by the Counsel of the Board upon the usual terms and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
William W Mott
G Lee
David Rogers
John R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Estimate of Receipts & payments for the year 1829 presented to the Board by the Comptroller presented the following Report.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the Estimate of Receipts & payments for the year 1829 presented to the Board by the Comptroller on the 26^th^ day of January last Respectfully

Report.

That they have examined the said estimate and find no reason to doubt the correctness thereof

That it appears from the same that the sum of Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars will be necessary to make up the deficit between the probable receipts and expences incident to the affairs of the City and County for the ensuing year, which sum does not exceed the deficiency of the last year [97] and must be provided for as heretofore, by a Tax upon the Real and personal estate of the Freeholders, and Inhabitants.

The Committee therefore in accordance with the said Estimate beg leave to submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board be directed to prepare a Memorial to the Legislature praying for the passage of a Law authorising the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to raise by Tax upon the Real and personal estate of the Freeholders and Inhabitants the said sum of Four hundred and fifty Thousand Dollars towards defraying the customary and contingent expences of the said City & County for the ensuing year, and that such Memorial may be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
William W Mott
David Rogers
G Lee
Jn° R Peters

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick Green for relief on an Assessment for opening 19th Street from 6th to 8th [98] Avenue presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick Green for relief on an Assessment for opening 19th Street from 6th to 8th Avenue Respectfully

Report

That the Assessment referred to by the Petitioner was confirmed by the Supreme Court and consequently this Common Council cannot interfere therein Therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
John Lovett
George D Strong
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Davis for relief from personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Davis [99] for relief from personal Tax in the 7[th] Ward beg leave Respectfully to Report.

That the Petitioner John Davis appeared before your Committee and under Oath testified as follows. That he was sick and unable to attend to bussiness at the time the Assessors laid the Assessment and also at the time he should have appeared before them for relief—That he has been Assessed as worth $10.000 personal property, when in fact he is not worth more than $500, The Certificate of the Assessors corresponds with the above statement as to the Amount.

In addition to the above one of the Committee is accquainted with the facts and with the situation of the Petitioner and says that his statement is in all respects true—Under these circumstances your Committee feel it their duty to give the relief prayed for—And accordingly submit for the consideration of the Common Council the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax on personal property of M[r] John Davis in the 7[th] Ward be reduced from the amount on $10,000 to an Amount on $500, and that the Collector of said Ward return the deficiency among the errors of Taxes in said Ward

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
[100] John Lovett
George D Strong
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the subject of placing a Fire Engine between Hudson Street and Broadway presented the following Report.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Resolution annexed, On the expediency of placing a Fire Engine between Hudson street and Broadway in Greenwich

Report

That in their opinion it is absolutely requisite to station an Engine in the proposed district, the increase of buildings in that portion of our City for some years past having rivalled every other Section, while the means of extinguishing fires (excepting the laying down Cisterns) remain as they were when it was a mere Village, only Two fire Engines being stationed in the whole 9th Ward.

Fire Engine N° 18 having but five men attached to her and being hence of but little service in her present location (which will shortly be required for another to be removed from Firemens Hall) Your Committee recommend the adoption of the [101] following Resolution.

Resolved that the Committee on the Fire Department with the Chief Engineer, be authorised to procure a Lot of ground, and cause a suitable House to be erected thereon for the accommodation of Fire Engine N° 18 to be located in the 9th Ward between Hudson street and Broadway, and that until a scite can be purchased on fair Terms, or be fixed on such property as the Corporation own in that district a temporary building be procured

Submitted by

Isaac Brown
Samuel Stevens
Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
Peter Pinckney

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committees on the Fire Department and Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the subject of extending the Fire Limits presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committees on the Fire Department and on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac Lawrence John Morss and others praying that application might be made to the Legislature for a Law to extend the Fire [102] Limits on the West side of Broadway to the River as far North as Spring Street.

Respectfully Report.

That since the said Petition was committed to them, they have caused notice of the same to be publicly advertised in the usual manner for the purpose of ascertaining whether any objections existed to such application, but that no objections have been made thereto. They have also considered the propriety of the said Measure and being satisfied thereof, they submit the following Resolution for the adoption of the Board.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board be directed to prepare the necessary Memorial to the Legislature for the passage of such a Law, and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Isaac Brown
Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
Samuel Stevens
Peter Pinckney

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department presented the following Report relative to the building called Firemens Hall in Fulton street

[103] The Committee on the Fire Department ask leave to Report to the Board

That the building known as " Firemens Hall " in Fulton street and having accommodations for Four Engines, is at present occupied by one only, and they have it in contemplation to recommend the removal of that one to another location. The placing of so many Machines in one immediate vicinity has been found from experience to be prejudical to the services of the Fire Department, and in some instances to be a Nuisance to the neighborhood, these facts Superadded to the necessity of providing Engines for the upper part of the City by taking such from the lower part as can well be spared and are but poorly supplied with men, authorise your Committee in saying that the ground occupied for Firemens Hall is no longer wanted for this public purpose, and as it is very valuable and the present is the usual season for good sales they propose for the consideration of the Board the annexed Resolution:

Resolved that the Finance Committee be empowered to sell the property in Fulton street on which Firemens Hall is erected at Public

Auction reserving the Materials of the Building and the right of its remaining on the premises until the first day of April next

Submitted by

Isaac Brown.
[104] Samuel Stevens
Benjamin M Brown
P. W. Engs
Peter Pinckney.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Repairs and the Comptroller presented the following Report on the Accounts of Jacob P Roome Superintendent of Repairs.

The Committee on Repairs and the Comptroller respectfully Report that they have examined the Accounts of Jacob P Roome Superintendant of Repairs from 4 July 1828 to 6th Janʸ 1829.

He has paid agreeably to Vouchers examined by the Committee of Repairs 147 Accounts		$48.111.08
Amount of Warrants to Superintendent	$46.803.	
Sundry Articles sold	899.59	
Balance due Corporation 4 July 1828	311.77	48.016.36
Due Superdᵗ Repairs 6 Janʸ 1829 & Carried to New Actᵗ		$94.72

Thomas T Woodruff
Jeremiah Dodge
Wᵐ Mandeville
G. N Bleecker Comptʳ

Which was accepted and directed to be filed.

[105] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Errickson to be relieved from the payment of a fine for selling Liquor without Licence presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition was referred Report

That the Petitioner Peter Erickson, has been complained against for selling without License

The Petitioner was burnt out at a late fire in the Second Ward and supposed he might carry on his bussiness at the place which he removed to in the same Ward.

Your Committee recommend the following Resolution.
Resolved that Petitioners fine be remitted on payment of Costs.

Samuel Stevens
Jon[a] Seymour
David Bryson
Geo: D Strong
P. W Engs

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Arts & Sciences to whom was referred the Petition of Amos Lay to furnish the Common Council with Maps of the [106] State of New York presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table.

The Special Committee on the subject of laying a Special Tax for support of Public Schools presented a Report which was referred back to the Committee with authority to print such parts of the Report and accompanying Documents as they should judge proper for the use of the Members—The consideration of the same was made the order of the day at the next Meeting of the Board.

On Motion of Alderman Rogers the Report of the Special Committee on the Quarantine Law which was laid for consideration on the 9[th] February was called up and referred back to the same Committee, and made the order of the day at the next Meeting.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which was read The resignations accepted and Appointments made

Fire Engine C[o] N[o] 10

Samuel B Good Pocket Book Maker N[o] 5. 3[d] Avenue
V[c] Jacob M Luff—Resigned

William A Good Glass Cutter N[o] 5. 3[d] Avenue
V[c] Robert Patterson Resigned

[107] N[o] 25

Henry Wright Clerk John Street
V[c] William Lawton—Appointed a Warden

N[o] 32

Augustus Knight Ship Carpenter 225 North S[t]
V[c] Cyrus Baldwin—Appointed a Warden

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the Correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No	1. D Hagerty	Owner	No	100	Anthony St	A privy
	2. J Wark	Agent		101	do	Do
	3. C Sebring	Lessee		102	Do	Do
	4. A Proudfoot	Do		104	Do	Do
	5. D Hagerty	owner		105	Do	Do
	6. J Wark	Lessee		110	Do	Do
	7. J McKinley	owner		112	Do	Do
	8. J McGaffrey	do		113	Do	Do
	9. Js Montgomery	Less[ee]				
No	*10. C Williams	Owner		115	Anthony St	A privy
	11. G. Lorillard	Do		120	Do	Do
	12. H. Aikman	Agent		121	Do	Do
	13. G. Lorillard	Owner		122	Do	Do
	14. Do	Do		123	Do	Do
	15. M. Kerrigan	Lessee		124	Do	Do
	16. Wm Friel	Owner		125	Do	Do
	17. [108] E. J. Gloin	Do		128	Do	Do
	18. Fs McCabe	Do		131	Do	Do
	19. H. Patterson	Do		139	Do	Do
	20. Ts Scott	Lessee		140	Do	Do
	21. Do	Owner		141	Do	Do
	22. G. Johnson	Do		143	Do	Do
	23. B. M*cGowan* [Govern]	Do		145	Do	Do
	24. Ann Gilloon	Do		147	Do	Do
	25. Dl McGowan	Do		147	Do	Do
	26. Cs Moon	Do		151	Do	Do
	27. T Emmons	Do		104	Bayard St	Do
	28. M. Yenni	Do		108	Do	Do
	29. C Gillespie	Do		15	Catharine Lane	Do
	30. Dl Smith	Do		19	Do	Do
	31. Rt Stoddart	Do		21	Do	Do
	32. M Kelly	Do		10	Centre St	Do
	33. Ths Reilly	Do		16	Do	Do
	34. J. Mullen	Do		26	Do	Do
	35. J. T. Clayton	Do		54	Do	Do
	36. Do	Do		56	Do	Do
	37. Js Copeland	Do		3	Cross St	Do
	38. P. Martin	Executor		23	Do	Do
	39. A. Dooley	Do		27	Do	Do
	40. Jno Heffernan	Do		29	Do	Do
	41. W. Elder	Do		31	Do	Do
	42. J. Rice	Lessee		37	Do	Do
	43. J. Mickell	Owner		39	Do	Do
	44. [109] Heirs of Geo. Janeway	Do		41	Do	Do

* From 10 to 84 entries omitted by the clerk are supplied from the original document.—ED.

No 45.	M. O. Neil	Owner	No	64	Cross St	A privy
46.	J. Earle	Do		12	Elm St	Do
47.	J. Smith	Do		13	Do	Do
48.	Pr Davie	Agent		15	Do	Do
49.	D. Wagstaff	Owner		16	Do	Do
50.	Asa Taylor	Agent		42	Do	Do
51.	Hu. Flinn	Occupt		44	Do	Do
52.	J. F. Dominick	Owner		237	Grand	Do
53.	E. Blair	Administratrix		191	Hester	Do
54.	Fs Allen	Owner		6	Howard	Do
55.	A. Morrison	Agent		8	Do	Do
56.	B. Crummell	Owner		139	Leonard	Do
57.	Elmendorf & Grim	Do		141	Do	Do
58.	Do	Do		141	Do	Do
59.	Do	Do		145	Do	Do
60.	J. M. Bradhurst	Do		147	Do	Do
61.	Wm French	Do		153	Do	Do
62.	J. Soloman	Lessee		8	Mulberry	Do
63.	R. Beck	owner		12	Do	Do
64.	H. Waring	Executor		18	Do	Do
65.	W. Scott	Lessee		46	Do	Do
66.	Js McCready	Agent		72	Do	Do
67.	H. Murray	Owner		88	Do	Do
68.	W. Banta	Lessee		118	Do	Do
69.	A Kerr	Owner		126	Do	Do
70.	E. Blair	Administratrix		128	Do	Do
71.	A. W. Turnbull	Owner		132	Do	Do
72.	Fs Depau	Do		514	Pearl	Do
73.	Do	Do		516	Do	Do
74.	Do	Do		524	Do	Do
75.	Do	Do		526	Do	Do
76.	A. Florentine	Do		532	Do	Do
77.	[110] Hy O Dusenberry	Do		554	Do	Do
78.	Josh Ferris	Do		558	Do	Do
79.	Sl Borden	Do		166	Pump St	Do
80.	Ths Bennett	Do		168	Do	Do
81.	Grim & Elmendorf	Do		178	Do	Do
82.	Wm H. Bracket	Agent		168	Spring	Do
83.	Do	Do		170	Do	Do
84.	Do	Do		8	Watts St	Do

Geo Cuming
City Inspector

Which were passed.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for repaving South street from Moore to White hall Street—And Moore street from Front to South Street. Which was confirmed & Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments Viz[t]

For building a Bulk head at Delancy Slip [111] For repaving Duane Street from Hudson to Greenwich street. And for repaving Duane Street from Greenwich to Washington street. Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to Morris D Camp the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Report on Sale of sundry pieces of public ground

The Street Commissioner respectfully informs the Hon[bl] the Common Council that agreeably to instructions given him by the Finance Committee he has caused the following pieces of public property to be advertised and sold Viz[t]

1st	A piece of ground on Nassau street between Maiden Lane and Liberty street to Isaac M Dimond Marquand for the sum of	$2625.
2d	A small gore on Herring Street to A S Pell.....	105.
3d	A piece of Ground corner of Greenwich Lane and Troy street to Leonard Deklyn.....	1900.
4th	A piece of Ground on Troy street to John F Adriance.....	450.
		$5080.

Respectfully submitted

R Graves S[t] Com[r]

Which was read and referred to the Counsel to prepare the Deeds for the same.

[112] The Street Commissioner presented the following Communication on working of the 8th Avenue.

The Street Commissioner respectfully informs the Hon[bl] the Common Council that the sum of Seven hundred dollars which was appropriated for working the 8th Avenue for the year 1828 has been expended in part payment of the several drafts of M[r] J O Woodruff Keeper of the Penitentiary and that there now remains unpaid a balance of $418—over and above the sum appropriated for the payment of which the Street Commissioner has no funds.

The foregoing statement is presented to the Board that such order may be made thereon as may be deemed Just and proper

All which is respectfully submitted

R Graves
S[t] Commiss[r]

Which was read and the Comptroller directed to prepare a Warrant for the balance.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto.

For paving Mulberry Street from Prince to Bleecker Street and Thomas R Smith [113] Jedediah B Leister and Everardus Warner were appointed Assessors.

For paving the Sixth Avenue from Sixth to Thirteenth street and Reuben Munson Morris D Camp and William Lockwood appointed Assessors.

For digging out and regulating Twentieth street from the Eighth to the Ninth Avenue and John Slidell Nicholas C Everitt & Azariah Ross were appointed Assessors.

For regulating Sixth Street from Avenue D to 250 feet Westerly therefrom and Charles Dusenberry James Barclay & Peter Ogilvie Jr were appointed Assessors

Alderman Lee presented his Resignation as Commissioner of School Money for the 12th Ward Which was Accepted. He then proposed Isaac Duyckman to fill said Office—Whereupon Isaac Duyckman was appointed Commissioner of School Money for the 12th Ward.

Mr Bryson presented his Resignation as Commissioner of School Money for the 4th Ward—Which was laid for consideration.

[114] Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Junction of the Bowery and Third Avenue be and is hereby Constituted a place for the Sale of Hay & Straw in Waggons until the first day of April next and no longer.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

Resolved that it be referred to Committee to enquire and Report to this Common Council such facts and reasoning as in their opinion make it the duty of this Board to apply to the Legislature of this State at their present Session for the enactment of a Law that shall embrace the purport of a Resolution offered by Mr Edgerton in that body relative to Lotteries.

Mr Engs presented an Ordinance to prohibit Masquerades in the City of New York which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Mr Stevens presented the following Preamble and Resolutions which were read and referred to a Special Committee.

[115] Whereas the Charter of certain of our City Banks, whose Capital collectively amounts to Ten Millions of Dollars are about expiring. And as the funds of these Institutions are now loaned and

in active circulation, and are interwoven with the interests and necessities of almost every branch of bussiness or calling, and as the refusal of the Legislature to Re-charter those Institutions would withdraw this large amount from use and circulation at an immense hazard to the solvency of a large class of industrious Citizens, whose want of Capital has obliged them to procure accommodations from these Banks, And further that as the refusal to re-charter these Incorporations would drive the Citizen to look to the wealthy Capitalist and Broker for his pecuniary accommodations, and to pay to them a rate of interest far exceeding that charged by the Banks.

Whereas it is to be feared that the refusal to Re-charter these Institutions would be the occasion of withdrawing a very large Foreign Capital from our City and State, and hazarding the funds of Widows and Orphans invested in these Corporations by Testamentary devisees.

Therefore Resolved that in the opinion of this Common Council the Re-chartering of the Banks above referred to, is highly important to the interests and prosperity of this City—And that his Honor the Mayor and Clerk of the Board furnish each Member of the Assembly from the City and County of New [116] York, with a Copy of the above preamble and this Resolution—His Honor the Mayor appointed on this Committee Al^{d} Stevens M^{r} Recorder Al^{d} Peters Lee M^{r} Roosevelt

Alderman Stevens presented the following which was referred to the same Special Committee as the last

Resolved that the Counsel prepare, and the Mayor execute a respectful Memorial to the Legislature, praying that no law may be passed whereby the City and County of New York will be deprived of the amount of Tax now paid by her Citizens into the City Treasury, who are the holders of the Stock of Banks Chartered by the State, and suggesting that the Establishments for the Support of the Poor, and for the support of Criminals, and the Street, Road Watch & Light expences, do necessarily require all the Taxes on personal property, whether in the Shape of Stock, or otherwise to which we are by the present Statute and by right entitled.

Alderman Lozier presented the [117] following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

Resolved that the Committee on Applications to the Legislature report to this Board on the expediency of so amending the Act passed April 9. 1813 entitled an Act to reduce several Laws relating particularly to the City of New York, into one Act so as to strike out the

words (Sundays excepted) in the 43d Section of said Act so that the Section shall read " And be it further enacted that it shall be lawful " for the Common Council of the said City from time to time to direct " by an Ordinance or Ordinances the Keeping open the said Police " Office for the transaction of bussiness thereof at all or at such times " and at such place or places, as may be deemed most beneficial to the " Public, and it shall be the duty of the Special Justices, and all the " Officers employed in the Police Office to obey such Ordinances

Resolved that Application be made to the Legislature for permission to increase the number of Marshals in the City of New York to Eighty and that the Counsel of the Board be and he is hereby directed to prepare a Law for that purpose and cause the same to be transmitted to the Legislature properly authenticated.

Mr Bryson presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed [118] to issue his Warrant for Five hundred Dollars in favor of John M Bloodgood Superintendent of Streets to be applied to sweeping the Streets.

Alderman Lozier presented the following formal Resolutions for opening 17th Street from the Bloomingdale Road to the 3d Avenue. And also 12th Street between Broadway & the Bowery &c

I. Resolved that it is desirable for Public convenience that 17th Street be opened from the Bloomingdale Road to the 3d Avenue—Also that 12th Street be opened between Broadway and the Bowery as the said 17th Street and 12th Street were respectively laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled " An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes " passed April 3d 1807 Also that the Southampton Road so called be closed between the 8th Avenue and 15th Street and the same is hereby directed to be done, And that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary applications to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the premises in order that the same may be carried into effect.

[119] II. Resolved that the Petitions to the Supreme Court in the above matters be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Which were Adopted

The Report of the Committee on Applications to the Legislature on the subject of provisions to be made to prevent Trespasses on Real Estate was called up and read as follows

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature, in obedience to

a Resolution passed in Common Council on the Twelfth Instant instructing them to "Enquire if any and what further legal provision is necessary to prevent trespasses on Real Estate in the City of New York" beg leave to

Report

That your Committee have made those enquiries and given the subject that consideration its importance demands, and the result has been a full and perfect conviction of the total inadequacy of existing remedies for redress of the grievances embraced by the Resolution

Your Committee had had before them Owners of Real Estate, who have given such information as to leave no room for doubt, that large quantities of Sand Clay and earth are dailey carried away by irresponsible persons as well from the public Streets [120] and highways as from Vacant grounds in the suburbs of the City; That as well at night as in the day time, are these offences committed by Men and boys often in squads, and in the presence in many instances of the Owners of the Soil who are publicly set at defiance, and as the carts are without numbers or other Marks, by which they can be traced, it is impossible for want of the names of the offenders, to enforce the present provision; And that where the names have been obtained, it was found that the defendant in Nine cases out of Ten had nothing wherewith to satisfy the judgment.

That by an Ordinance of the Common Council a penalty of Twenty five Dollars is imposed upon such person as shall without being authorised, take up, remove or carry away or cause to be taken up removed or carried away, any turf, Stone, sand, Clay or earth from any street or public Highway, in the said City, but that for trespasses of this description committed on private property, redress is only to be had by action of trespass for the damages sustained.

Your Committee are therefore of opinion that further legal provision ought to be made for the exemplary punishment of such persons as may be convicted of breaking down and carrying [121] away fences, cutting or removing Trees, or Garden or Field Vegetables taking up and removing, Sod or turf, Stone, Sand, gravel, Mould or other earth from the public Streets or highways and also from the private property of individuals: And that in the judgment of your Committee it will only be necessary to have a Law passed applying so much of the provisions of "An Act of the Legislature entitled "An Act to reduce Several laws relating particularly to the City of New York into one Act" passed April 9. 1813, as relates to the preservation of Lamps &c to offences of the nature Specefied in this Report.

extending the right of Arrest to any person who may see the Offence Committed, and the remedy will be complete.

The Committee pray leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board be requested to prepare a Law, and cause the same to be presented to the Legislature at the present Session, in accordance with the opinion of the Committee as contained in the foregoing Report.

G Lee
Wm W Cowan
James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott
James Palmer

Whereupon the same was referred to the Counsel [122] to draft a Memorial & Bill agreeably to the Report and to Report the same at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr Strong presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Police Committee

Resolved that the Keeper of the City Prison be required to communicate to this Board whether any distinction in regard to the Classification of Criminals committed to the Prison now exists whereby persons committed for capital crimes are placed in separate apartments, from those who are committed for Minor Offences, or whether such criminals are placed promiscuously in the same apartment.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 9th Inst	$6.52
Recd for Tax of 1828	35.500.
" " Streets	17.829.68
" " Rents	8.790.44
" " Justices Courts	458.98
" " Cartmens Licences	228.25
" " Tavren Licences	160.
" " Mayoralty fees	58.
" " Wells & Pumps	47.
" " Fines of Sheriff	45.42
	$63.124.29

[123] 47 Accounts Audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Field do 2d Do	945.
Stagg & Herring Do 3d Do	945.
G. N Bleecker Comptr 1 Qr Salary 15 Feby	450.

Jacob P Roome Super Repairs 1 Qr 14 Feby	300.
T J Waters Clerk Comptrs Office 1 Qr 24 Feby	250.
A McCready Keeper of Park 1 Month 1 Feby	38.75
J Morton Clerk for Hack Accounts & Postage	49.07
C. J. Roosevelt Clerk issuing Cartmens Licences 19 days	33.25
John Ahern do Do do 12 days	21.
Benjn Fuller Officer Attends do Do 12 days	21.
I. A Isaacs Inspecting Carts 12 days	21.
Jas Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary 12 Feby	400.
John W Wyman do Do "	400.
Abm M Valentine Do Do "	400.
R Stephens Clerk of Police " "	312.50
J Townsend Asst Clerk do " "	200.
R Stephens Clerk for expences Police Office 12 Novr 1827 to 12 Feby 1829 Balance	66.03
R Hatfield Clerk Sessions 1 Qr Salary 12 Feby	500.
R Hatfield " to pay Witnesses 1 Qr "	23.50
New York Statesman Subscription 1 Mo 1 Feby	8.34
H Cochran Actt repav Duane fm Greenwich to Washington St	130.
S Fargay Actt repav Duane fm Hudson to Greenwich St	175.
P. Smith Actt pavg Mott fm Houston to Bleecker St	175.
H Smith bal repav Forsyth fm Bayard to Hester St	191.10
[124] P Smith Actt repavg Nassau fm Maiden Lane to Cedar St	300.
H Cochran Actt repav Reed fm Broadway to Washington St	350.
R Pettigrew Actt reg 5th St fm Avenue C to Mangin St	400.
E A Bancker Atty for T Pope & W Agnew Actt reg 4th St fm Avenue D to Lewis St	500.
Trimbly & Pitcher Actt building Public Cisterns	1200.
T Cummings Actt pavg Greenwich Lane fm 6th Avenue to 13th St	2000.
Robt White return Costs on Lots Mercer St Sold 13 Octr 1828 & Redeemed	7.
R Graves St Comr Actt expences Lands & Places	250.
R *Bront* [Brandt] Actt Masons Work Clinton Market	2500.
Woodruff & Barnes Actt Carpenters Work do	2400.
A Goodrich 2 Plans of the City for Fire Dept	10.
J McBarren bal Well Troy near Asylum St	35.75
Geo: Lovett Actt filling Bulk head Delancy Slip	3000.
Geo: Lovett bal buildg Do Do	466.67
J Stanford Clerical Services Public Institutions orderd 9 Feby	500.
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs Fire Dept	2671.
J. P. Roome Do Repairs	1592.
J. P. Roome do Lamps	275.
J. P. Roome Do Markets	265.
J. P. Roome Do Pumps	250.

Col John Constantine for a Standard to be presented by the C Council to 31st Regt of Artillery Ordered 17 Novr 1828.	150.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House.....	10.000.00	36.563.96
Balance		$26.560.33

The Board then adjourned to Monday next at 5 OClock

[125] In Common Council March 2d 1829

Adjourned Meeting

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
William S Coe	George D Strong
Benjamin M Brown	William Seaman
John R Peters	William W Cowan
Bernard J Meserole	James N Wells
Jeremiah Dodge	Thomas Jeremiah
Gideon Lee	Peter Pinckney
James Palmer	Peter Cooper
Thomas T Woodruff	John Lovett
	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Communication from Theodorus C [126] Van Wyck relating to Moisture in Grain and to Establish a standard of dryness in flour & Grain so as to be Merchantable was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences.

A Petition of the Butchers in the Franklin Market praying that the rent of the Stalls occupied by them in the said Market may be reduced was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Memorial of John Low praying to have an Error in his Assessment Corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Elisha Tibbets and others praying to have the name of Beaver Lane altered to that of Morris Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Robert Ferguson praying for Charity for himself and family having by the contract for regulating Mulberry street lost

about One thousand dollars was read and referred to the Charity Committee

A Petition of Jotham Weeks praying [127] to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Major Bailey praying to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Joseph Tucker Azariah Ross and others in behalf of themselves and their Associates in relation to the Assessment for Building the Bulkhead at the foot of Spring street was Read and Laid on the Table.

A Remonstrance of Samuel Judd and others praying an Investigation of the Charges made for paving the West Side of Market Slip from Water street to South street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Charles Pope Sexton of the Methodist Church in Duane Street paying to be released from the Fine incurred by the Interment of M^rs^ Hyer daughter of William M Carter was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Remonstrance of Benjamin Strong, John Johnson and others, And also of Jacob Aims and [128] others Butchers in Washington Market against the extension and continuation of Duane Market were read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of George Hopson for a Butchers License in Manhattan Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Ferris Finck and others praying that a Well & Pump at the corner of Broome & Lewis street may be Ceded to the Corporation and accepted by them was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Communication from the Lyceum of Natural History &c Inviting the Members of the Common Council to attend a course of Lectures was read and Accepted.

A Petition of Sarah Green for her self and Children praying that certain monies which have been paid into the Treasury as the effects of William Greene her husband may be paid to her was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Communication from R L Jennings [129] on the subject of the increase of Crime &c was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Communication from the Secratary of the Batchellors Club enclosing a Resolution of Thanks to the Corporation for the Loan of

certain Ornaments for the Batchelors Ball was read and ordered to be filed.

A Petition of J L Lewis in relation to numbering the House occupied by him in Wall Street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the First Ward and Superintendant of Repairs with powers.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of John Henne Jacob Ridabock George Leviness & George Weeks for Butchers Licences &c presented the following Report in favor.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several petitions hereunto Annexed of John Henne for a Butchers Licence and transfer of Stall N° 17 Catherine Market. of Jacob Ridabock for a Butchers licence and transfer of Stall N° 37 Fulton Market—of George Leviness for a Butchers Licence and transfer of Stall N° 16 Washington Market—of George Weeks for a Butchers Licence and transfer of Stall N° 12 Washington Market.

Respectfully Report that the several [130] Petitions are accompanied by all the necessary certificates of Qualifications, and the usual transfers from present Occupants.

They recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the above Petitioners receive Butchers Licences for said Stalls on the usual terms

Respectfully submitted

John Yates Cebra
Benjamin M Brown
Bernard J Meserole
Jeremiah Dodge

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons against Hawking and Pedling through the Streets &c presented a Report which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Ferris Pell to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for not filling up a Lot presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Police Committee to whom [131] was referred the Petition of F Pell for remission of a Fine, *was referred* Report

That Petitioner was Ordinanced to fill in a Street, which being neglected (as Petitioner urges on account of his absence) the same

was filled in by the Corporation; The Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Petitioner paying the expence of filling in, interest, and Costs of Suit, that the suit against him be discontinued

Samuel Stevens
George D Strong
David Bryson
Jon[a] Seymour
P. W Engs.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Arts & Sciences to whom was referred the Petition of Amos Lay relative to furnishing the Corporation with Maps of the United States presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 18th Street opened from the Bloomingdale Road to the Fitz Roy Road presented the following Report in favor of the same

[132] The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition to have 18th Street opened from the Bloomingdale road to the Fitzroy Road Respectfully Report

That in their opinion that part of 18th Street ought to be opened in order to facilitate the drawing of the Low grounds in its vicinity and thereby afford relief to those persons injured by the overflowing of their premises.

The Committee accordingly submit the following Resolutions

Resolved that Eighteenth street be opened from the Bloomingdale to the Fitzroy roads.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board adopt the necessary measures for having the foregoing resolution carried into effect

John R Peters
William S Coe
Jeremiah Dodge
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the subject of extending the Fire Limits in the 7th Ward presented the following Report

[133] The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the annexed Resolution, proposing the renewal of the

application made at the last Session to have the Fire Limits extended in the Seventh Ward. Report.

That the Common Council on the 24th of March last on the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department adopted a Resolution directing an application to the Legislature for a Law extending the Fire Limits, so as to include the South side of Division street and such buildings as might be erected on both sides of Gouverneur street and between Gouverneur and Clinton Streets, without any exception in favor of Lessees; and it appears from said Report, the above proposed extension of the Fire Limits was recommended after having regularly advertised for objections.

As this proposition was adopted by the Board of last year after due consideration, and the usual Public Notice; but the application failed from being made too late in the Session of the Legislature your Committee see no objection to renewing the same at this time, and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Memorial to the Legislature, and a Law in conformity with the above Report, and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner [134] during the recess of the Board and forwarded to the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted

G Lee
William W Mott
James I Roosevelt Jr
James Palmer
W. W. Cowan.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the subject of Keeping open the Police Office on Sunday and also of encreasing the number of Marshalls—presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the subject of extending the Fire Limits to all that part of the 14th Ward not included in the present Law presented the following Report.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the annexed Resolution directing that Application be made to the Legislature to extend the Fire limits to all that part of the 14th Ward not embraced in the present Law.

[135] Respectfully Report.

That the same having been advertised for a suitable time, and no

objections offered, your Committee are of the opinion that it is the wish of the owners and lessees of property in that part of the said Ward not embraced in the present law that the Fire limits should be extended so as to include the whole Ward.

Accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board be requested to prepare a Law and Memorial to the Legislature to extend the Fire Limits to all that part of the Fourteenth Ward not embraced in the present Law. And that the same be authenticated during the recess of the Board, and forwarded to the Legislature

Respectfully submitted

Isaac Brown
Samuel Stevens
Benjamin M Brown
James Palmer
P. W Engs
Peter Pinckney

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Special Committee on the Quarantine Law presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members. The Report [136] made on the same subject on 22d October 1827 was also directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

Mr Bryson presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Special Committee on the Quarantine Laws and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

Resolved that the Mayor Recorder and any Five Members of the Board of Health may Act and be considered a quorum to do bussiness in Certain cases.

The Report of the Finance Committee on the Petition of John Jacob Astor for a Water Grant between Great Kill Road and Twelfth street and adopted, was now on Motion of Mr Seaman reconsidered and referred back to the Finance Committee.

Mr Roosevelt as Chairman of the Special Committee on the subject of extending the System of Public Schools presented a Report, but the same not being signed by a Majority of the Committee it was referred back to the same Committee.

[137] The Special Committee to whom was referred the Preamble and Resolution presented by Mr Stevens at the last Meeting relative

to Rechartering certain Banks in the City of New York presented the following Report

The Special Committee to whom was referred the annexed Preamble & Resolution in relation to Rechartering certain Banks beg leave to

Report.

That they have given the subject embraced in the Preamble & Resolution their serious consideration—Your Committee, and as they believe, all our Citizens conversant with the subject referred to, are united in opinion, that the applications to the Legislature, for the renewal of the Bank Charters present to them a subject more important in its consequences to this City, and perhaps even to the State, than any which has ever been presented to their consideration, excepting always such as guard & preserve our free Institutions.

It is unnecessary for your Committee therefore to occupy the time of the Board in establishing the self evident proposition. That the wants & necessities of the City demand & imperiously require the rechartering of these Institutions.

Your Committee do not deem it in their province to exp[r]ess any opinion as to the terms or Conditions on which these Institutions should be [138] re-chartered; But they consider the Members would be wanting in their duty, and their obligation to their Constituents did they not proclaim their opinion, that ruin and dismay would attend our Merchants & Store Keepers of small Capitals, and our industrious & enterprizing Manufacturers Builders & Mechanics of every description, if these Banks are now required to call in their immense Capital, or to wind up their concerns, and that while at the same time such distress for the want of pecuniary accommodations would be taking place in the above classes of the Community, the Capitalists and Brokers would be increasing their fortunes, by exorbitant interest, Merchandize sacrificed at Auctions, by sales of Mortgaged Farms Lots & Dwellings at prices far below their real Value.

Your Committee in expressing these Opinions, as to the propriety of Re-chartering the present Banks, have had an eye only to the Public necessities, and would by no means be understood as expressing an Opinion that the growth and continued prosperity of the different departments of Foreign Commerce, Trade & Manufactures both in the City and in the State do not render it expedient to charter other Bank Incorporations. But your Committee forbear to enter into detail, [139] being unwilling to render themselves or the Board chargeable with supporting the Interest, or opposing the doctrines or opinions of

any class of Individuals. They wish to stand aloof from such charges, and to appear as the Common Council should appear, The Guardians of the general Interests the wants & necessities of their Constituents.

In Conclusion Your Committee recommend to the Board the adoption of the Resolution referred to and annexed

Samuel Stevens
G Lee
John R Peters
R Riker
James I Roosevelt Junr

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted for Preamble and Resolution see page 115 this Volume

The Counsel presented the draft of a Memorial & Law relative to punishment of certain Trespasses on Real Estate &c which were read —Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

Mr Roosevelt presented a Section to be appended to the Law relative to Executions issued under the Tavern Law which was directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

[140] The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz

No			No		
1.	Heirs of Geo Janeway	Owner	36	Augustus St	A privy
2.	Do	Do	38	Do	Do
3.	Js McAndrew	Do	40	Do	Do
4.	Js Clifford	Do	42	Do	Do
5.	S Miller	Do	52	Do	Do
6.	E Murray	Do	54	Do	Do
7.	J McKee	Do	8	Catharine Lane	Do
8.	C McIntire	Do	10	Do	Do
9.	Dl Haggerty	Do	14	Do	Do
10.	Heirs of Geo: Janeway	Do	106	Chatham St	Do
11.	J McIntire	Do	25	Chrystie St	Do
12.	Wm Ogilvie	Do	89	Do	Do
13.	B Morris	Do	95	Do	Do
14.	R Cochran	Do	103	Do	Do
15.	Do	Do	105	Do	Do
16.	C Garraty	Do	50	Duane St	Do
17.	Do	Do	52	Do	Do
18.	C Dumahaut	Do	92	Do	Do
19.	M Curtis	Do	100	Do	Do
20.	Peter Davy	Agent	15	Elm St	Do

21.	N Jarvis	Agent	114	Leonard St	A privy
22.	Do	Do	116	Do	Do
23.	A Bal[d]win	Owner	118	Do	Do
24.	[141] A Baldwin	Do	118	Do	Do
25.	G Lorillard	Do	126	Do	Do
26.	Do	Do	128	Do	Do
27.	Do	Do	130	Do	Do
28.	Do	Do	132	Do	Do
29.	Heirs of Matw Bolmer	Do	466	Pearl St	Do
30.	Do	Do	468	Do	Do
31.	Heirs of G Janeway	Do	473	Do	Do
32.	A Kipp	Do	478	Do	Do
33.	P Lorillard	Do	480	Do	Do
34.	I Soria	Lessee	481	Do	Do
35.	P Lorillard	owner	482	Do	Do
36.	Heirs of G Janeway	Do	483	Do	Do
37.	G Abeel	Do	485	Do	Do
38.	J L Dillon	Do	489	Do	Do
39.	E Morgan	Do	498	Do	Do
40.	J Allen	Executor	507	Do	Do
41.	J Allen	Do	509	Do	Do
42.	A Ogilvie	Lessee	511	Do	Do
43.	J Brooks	owner	513	Do	Do
44.	L Timalat	Lessee	533	Do	Do
45.	W Williams	owner	551	Do	Do
46	M Kemble	Do	553	Do	Do
47.	Dl Ensley	Do	569	Do	Do
48.	R Value	Executor	25	Reed St	Do
49.	A Bloodgood	Owner	No 1	Republican Aley	Do
50.	P Bagley	Occupt	2	Do	Do
51	[142] H Rutgers	Owner		Lombardy St	A Lot

George Cuming
City Inspector

Which were passed

Alderman Stevens presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Recorder and Police Committee enquire and Report whether any and what alterations are necessary in the Statutes relating to the Court of Special Sessions.

Alderman Cebra gave notice that at the next regular Meeting of the Board he would call on the Canal and Finance Committee for their Report relative to the extension of the Canal street Sewer so far as the same is connected with the new Clinton Market at the foot of Canal street.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next the 9th Instant the regular Meeting at 5 OClock P. M.

[143] In Common Council March 9. 1829

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Junr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
William S Coe	George D Strong
Benjamin M Brown	William Seaman
John R Peters	William W Cowan
Bernard J Meserole	James N Wells
Jeremiah Dodge	Thomas Jeremiah
Gideon Lee	Peter Pinckney
James Palmer	Peter Cooper
Thomas T Woodruff	John Lovett
	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Communication was received from J Ruthven Secratary of the Asylum for lying in [144] Women returning the acknowledgments of the Institution for a Donation from the Common Council of $200, which was read and ordered to be filed.

A Petition of the New York Horticultural Society praying for a Lease of some of the Public grounds for the purpose of the Society was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Benjamin Ferris requesting that a Deed given to Joseph Watkins dated 20th February 1804 but which was neglected to be signed by the former Clerk may be now acknowledged by the present Clerk was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers.

A Remonstrance of Jacob Lorillard and others against paving West street near its intersection with Canal Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Andrew Craig and others for a Well and Pump in Sixth street near Thompson street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and the Street Commissioner.

[145] A Petition of sundry Inhabitants of the 11th Ward to have the side walks of Sheriff street regulated from Stanton to North, and

North street from Cannon Street to Allen Street flagged or paved with Brick was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Stephen S Campbell to be appointed a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against the Assessment for paving the Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Proprietors of property on Burrows Street to have the name changed to Grove street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Charles Oakley and others to have the name of Herring street altered to that of Bleecker street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John R Willis and others praying to have a Street opened through the block of ground formed by Cherry, Oak Roosevelt & Pearl streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[146] A Petition of Thomas E Allen to be appointed an Inspector of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Stephen Miller to be remunerated for damages sustained by the sinking of his Sloop at the foot of Warren Street by coming in contact with a Log from the Corporation Pier at said place, was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of the Sterling Company to be relieved from the payment of Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of James Rikeman to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal or Vegetables was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Remonstrance of Tillou & Cutting against the Petition for a Water Lot at Greenwich opposite the lands of the late William Bayard was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Josiah Herrick for relief from Personal Tax was read and referred [147] to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Peter Schermerhorn Campbell P White and others praying to have West street extended from Albany Basin to Marketfield street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Elisha Tibbets & others and a number of persons in the lower Wards—Also a Petition from a number of persons of the

Village of Brooklyn praying for the Establishment of a South Ferry were read and referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of Samuel A Vanderlip to be appointed a Measurer of Potatoes was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the several subjects relative to the disposition of the Old State Prison presented the following Report

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the several resolutions with regard to the Old State Prison at Greenwich and the ground connected with it and what disposition will be proper to be made of the same Respectfully Report

That in their opinion it is for the interest [148] of the Corporation that the said premises should be laid out in Lots and sold as soon as conveniently can be done reserving the Buildings and materials which may afterwards be disposed of Your Committee beg leave to submit for the consideration of the Board the following Resolutions.

First Resolved, Charles Street and Amos Street be continued from their present termination to West street through the said Ground.

Secondly. Resolved that the Finance Committee be authorized and empowered to have the said Ground laid out in parcels or Lots and to advertise and sell the same at Public Auction in such Lots and upon such terms of credit as they in their discretion may think proper reserving the buildings and materials upon the said premises to be afterwards disposed of and sold as the said Committee shall think most advantageous for the interests of the City.

All which is respectfully submitted

W Seaman
John R Peters
G Lee
William W Mott
David Rogers

A Motion was made to lay the same on the Table which was Negatived—The Report was [149] then approved and the Resolutions adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Pettigrew for an advance of $4000, on his contracts presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Pettigrew

Respectfully Report

That on enquiry they have ascertained that the Petitioner has actually completed his contract with the Street Commissioner to regulate and pave the Third Avenue from the Bowery to Thirteenth street and to regulate Fifth Street from Avenue C to Mangin Street, which Contracts amount to upwards of Twenty one thousand Dollars; And that no money having been yet collected on the Assessments for such paving & regulating—The Petitioner has received no part of the amount due to him and is suffering inconvenience thereby—The Committee think his application for an advance of Four thousand Dollars a reasonable one under those circumstances and that it would be proper to comply with it upon the terms offered by him Viz[t] interest to be allowed for such advance by him until the amount of the Assessments shall have been collected and his contracts Settled

They beg leave therefore to submit the [150] following Resolution for the adoption of the Board.

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to advance to Robert Pettigrew the sum of Four thousand dollars according to the prayer of his Petition and on the terms thereby proposed.

W Seaman
John R Peters
G Lee
William W Mott
David Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph Martin praying for a Water Grant in front of his property in the Seventh Ward presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph Martin praying for a Water Grant in front of his property in the Seventh Ward Respectfully Report

That they have ascertained that the said Petitioner is the legal owner of the premises between Front and Water Streets and of Gouverneur Slip and they deem it reasonable and proper to Grant [151] the Water right to him in front of his said property They beg leave therefore to submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Grant be given to Joseph Martin upon the usual terms and be duly authenticated during the recess of the Board

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
David Rogers
William W Mott
John R Peters
G Lee.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Joint Committee on Repairs and Public Offices to whom were referred the Petition of the Register of the City and County of New York relative to securing the Records in his Office &c presented a Report which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Low for a reduction of Tax in the 12th Ward presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Low praying for a [152] reduction of Tax in the 12th Ward respectfully

Report.

That the Petitioner appeared before your Committee and satisfied them, that he had complied with the rules and regulations required by the Common Council in such cases.

That he had called on the Assessors of the 12th Ward agreeably to their Advertisement and arranged his Taxes with them by consolidating his Real estate in said Ward, in one parcel of 29 Acres & 2 Houses & another parcel of ¾ of an Acre, his personal property was to be stricken out as he always paid that in the 1st Ward where he resides; But by some means not known to Mr Low, but as he supposes by a mistake in Copying the Assessment Book they have taxed him for 13 Acres of Land more than he owns, and also for $5000, on personal estate—By the Certificate of the Assessors hereunto annexed it appears that it was their intention to Assess Mr Low only for 29 Acres of Land & Two Houses at Bloomingdale and ¾ of an Acre on the Middle Road & not for any personal property.

It also appears by the Certificate of the Collector of the 1st Ward that Mr Low has paid his Tax on personal property in that Ward.

Your Committee have therefore come to the conclusion that the reduction asked for by [153] Mr Low is just and reasonable and

therefore offer for the consideration of the Common Council the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax of Mr John Low in the 12th Ward be reduced from the sum of $53,73 to $28.08 and that the Collector be directed to return the deficiancy among the errors of Taxes for said Ward

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Messerole
George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Penny for a reduction of Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Penny praying for a reduction of Tax Respectfully

Report

That said Petitioner appeared before your Committee and produced Documents proving satisfactorily that he is a Member of the Corp of Horse Artillery of this City. By a Law of the State he is entitled to [154] a reduction of $1000, on the value of his Taxable property in consequence thereof.

The Certificate of the Assessors hereunto annexed proves that said reduction was not taken into consideration at the time the Assessment was made.

Your Committee therefore offer for the consideration of the Common Council the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax of Benjamin Penny of the 10th Ward be reduced on the valuation of his property in the Tax Book one thousand dollars and that the deficiancy be returned by the Collector among the errors of Taxes for said Ward

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Geo D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the subject of supplying the City with water for the purpose of extinguishing Fires presented a Report which was read, laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

[155] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Charles Pope to be relieved from the payment of a fine for Interring the Body of M^rs Hyer contrary to Law presented a Report which was read, laid on the Table, and the Counsel directed to Report his opinion at the next Meeting of the Board.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Owen Kirk praying to be relieved from the payment of a fine for driving a Cart without Licence presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Owen Kirk

Report

That the Petitioner is fined for driving a Cart without Licence, that he has now taken out a Licence, and is poor; Your Committee therefore recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that upon payment of Costs the Fine against Petitioner be remitted

Samuel Stevens
Jon^a Seymour
David Bryson
P W Engs
Geo: D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[156] The Finance and Canal Committees to whom were referred the Petition to extend the sewer in Canal Street permanently as far Westward as may be conformable to the plan adopted by the Common Council presented the following Report.

The Joint Committee consisting of the Committees on Finance and on Canals to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Bogardus, George Zabriskie and others praying among other things to have the Sewer in Canal street now terminating at Washington street permanently extended as far Westerly as may be conformable to plans already submitted to the Common Council

Respectfully Report.

That deeming the subject of the said Petition to be of great importance to the owners of property and residents in that part of the City, as well in regard to health as general convenience, the Committee

have bestowed their utmost attention upon it and have obtained such information respecting the present condition of the said Sewer and the probable effect of changing the present direction thereof as might assist them in coming to a correct decision.

The Committee find the present condition of the said Sewer between Washington street and the River to be such being temporary [157] and built of Wood, that it will shortly be necessary to expend Money upon it for repairs if the same is continued in use; and from the nature of the Soil, through which it passes those repairs could not without considerable labour and expence be made very permanent or useful.

The present direction thereof causes it to empty its contents in to the Water most immediately in the neighbourhood of the New Clinton Market and the Committee are of opinion that by changing the course of the said Sewer from the West side of Washington street so as to make it discharge its contents at a greater distance from the said Market the interests of the same may be promoted.

The Committee from these considerations would recommend that the course of the said Sewer be changed so as to run from the West side of Washington street in a line forming about right Angles with Washington Street in the manner pointed out by the annexed Map or plan, And they beg leave to submit the following Resolution for that purpose.

Resolved that the Canal Street Sewer be permanently carried out from its present termination at Washington street to the Hudson River in the manner designated upon the plan or Map hereunto annexed.

W Seaman
John R Peters
G Lee
David Rogers
[158] Wm Mandeville
P. W Engs
Henry Arcularius
Geo: D Strong
Thomas T Woodruff

Mr Stevens moved as an Amendment to the Resolution proposed by the Committee that the Street Commissioner be directed to report an Ordinance for Assessing the expences on the property benefited

The question being taken thereon & a Division called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Al[d] Mott Stevens I Brown Dodge M[r] Seymour Mandeville Bryson 7

In the Negative M[r] Recorder Al[d] Cebra Rogers Coe B M Brown Peters Meserole Lee Palmer Woodruff M[r] Roosevelt Arcularius Strong Seaman Cowan Wells Jeremiah Pinckney Cooper Lovett Engs 21

[159] So it passed in the Negative—M[r] Roosevelt also presented an Amendment which he afterward withdrew.

The Question was then taken on the Report and Resolution and they were adopted.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Law Committee and the draft of an Ordinance relative to Masquerades presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the annexed Report of the Law Committee and the draft of an Ordinance offered by M[r] Engs, both relating to Masquerades—Report

That the Ordinance referred to makes provision for the prevention of Masquerades in Tavrens, and it may be doubtfull how far the Corporation can extend the Law on this subject—Your Committee therefore Report against the enactment of a City Ordinance: But recommend an Application to the Legislature for the enactment of a Law that will reach in its operations all Theatres, Circusses, Public Gardens or places of Public Amusement, Taverns Streets or places where Company is entertained or furnished with liquors or refreshments for pay.

In recommending this Measure Your Committee do not deny that the Entertainment referred to may be so carried on & managed as to be innocent & harmless [160] in itself in any given case. But the question for the consideration of your Committee was the effect of these entertainments when generally adopted & held in public places upon the Morals of the Community, and they unite in opinion that it would be highly injurious, and that under such circumstances, the entertainment should be prohibited by Law, in the places referred to. They offer the following Resolution

Resolved that a Memorial & Law be forwarded to the Legislature in the recess of the Board in Conformity to this Report.

Samuel Stevens
Jon[a] Seymour
David Bryson
P. W Engs
Geo: D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Special and Finance Committees on Public Schools presented the following Reports

The Report of 23d February 1829 which was referred back to the Committee was as follows

The Special and Finance Committees to whom were referred the Memorials of the Trustees of the Public Schools, and of sundry other citizens, [161] on the subject of extending the system of Public Schools submit to the Common Council the following

Report

The Memorialists represent that the diffusion of elementary education in a City like New York, is an object of primary importance; that the provision at present made for that purpose is wholly inadequate; and that an additional tax of half a mill on the dollar ought, in their opinion, to be laid, in order to supply, in this respect, the wants of our increased population.

In the list of signatures to these Memorials the Committee observe the names, of several thousand of our most respectable Citizens—men too (and here the present differs from most applications) who in case their requests are granted, will themselves be required to contribute a large proportion of the Tax which they pray may be imposed.

To Memorials on such a subject and vouched by such numbers and such signatures, it can hardly be necessary to say, that a more than ordinary consideration was deemed to be due.

The Committee accordingly in order that full and acurate details might be obtained as to the existing state of education, caused a Census to be taken of the whole number of Schools in the City, of every description, now in operation. From this Census taken by Samuel W Seton and James B Brinsmade two gentlemen eminently qualified for the task, the Committee have abstracted [162] the following important results.

In the fourteen Wards, it is ascertained that there are 463 week day schools with 484 principal and 311 Assistant teachers and containing (between the ages of 5 and 15 years) 22.943 Pupils.

Of this number 11 Schools with 21 principal and 24 Assistant Teachers and containing 6,007 Pupils, are under the government of the Public School Board.

The number of Pupils attending the Sunday Schools is 16.936. Of these, however, 9,435 attend the week day Schools also, and are of course included in the previous enumeration.

Thus the whole number of individuals, between the ages referred to, enjoying the benefits of education, is, at the present time 29.949.

To determine the proportion which this number bears to the entire juvenile population, the Committee have had recourse to the recent Report of the Superintendant of Common Schools, from which it appears, that the number of persons in the whole State except New York and Albany, between the ages of 5 and 15 is 449.113—As the Superintendant States, that there were a few districts from which no returns had been received, the total may be fairly estimated in round numbers at 450,000. Assuming then the aggregate population of that part of the State (and [163] the assumption cannot be far out of the way) as 1.800.000, the proportion of persons within the usual ages of instruction is established as one fourth of the whole population.

Apply the rule thus deduced to the City of New York, which it is generally conceded contains about 200,000 souls, and the result will be, that of that number there are 50,000 between the ages of 5 and 15 from which deducting the 29.949, ascertained to be the whole number between those ages in all the Schools will leave 20.051 who attend no school whatever.

Of these however, it may fairly be assumed, that about one-third are children who have been partially educated and then withdrawn from School before the age of 15; while on the other hand, there are, no doubt, several thousand above that age who have never received any instruction, but who ought nevertheless, to be taken into the account in every liberal system of popular education—Nor should this additional consideration be lost sight of, that of the 29.949 ascertained by the census to be in a course of tuition 7.006 are confined to the comparitively limited influence of Sunday Schools.

The Committee would not wish to be understood as, in the slightest degree undervaluing the advantages of those institutions or the merits of their conductors.

It appears to be an established fact from the examinations taken before a Committee of the House [164] of Commons in England, as well as from the observations of some of our best informed citizens in this country, that the education imparted in Sunday Schools, both in quality and quantity, is, of its kind, greater, in proportion to the time employed, than that derived from the week day schools—a result which may readily be traced to the circumstance that in the Sunday Schools the teachers engage in the bussiness not as a task to be performed, but as a pleasure to be enjoyed. Still it ought not and cannot be disguised that the appropriation of only one day out of seven, and

of that one day only a small fraction, to the purposes of tuition, cannot be productive of more than very partial effects.

In the lower order of week day schools, also, whose contents in the Census have served to swell the apparent ranks of learning, there are, it is ascertained as many as 4,713 children whose Teachers, so called in point of Attainments, are in most cases, hardly one remove above their pupils.

By these additions to be made to the list of the uneducated, the deductions to which we have referred will in our judgment, be more than counterbalanced, leaving the immense number of about 20,000 persons in this Metropolis who are proper subjects of education but who never have received, nor, under the present inadequate system [165] can receive, any material portion of the benefits of education.

In the other parts of the State, from which returns were received by the Superintendant, the number of Scholars of all ages, taught during the past year, was 468.205 being 11.775 more than the whole number of persons between the ages of 5 and 15 and also, more than one fourth of the entire population while in this City, from the Census just taken, it appears that the whole number of all ages, in a course of education, including Sunday Scholars, is only 31.958 being less than one-sixth of the entire population; and if the 7,006 who attend Sunday Schools only be deducted, as in making a proper comparison the[y] ought to be, the number will be less than one eighth of the whole population.

Thus it will be seen, however mortifying the discovery may be to our pride, as members of this great commercial community, that in the country counties of the State, the diffusion of education is more than two fold as extensive as in the City.

This disparity, to a certain extent, is perhaps a necessary incident of our situation. But no intelligent person, we think will deny that its magnitude may be reduced. And our interest and our honor alike demand that it should be reduced. For although Knowledge unfortunately, is sometimes found united with pauperism and [166] crime, yet, from the nature of education, it might fairly be inferred, that the chances of becoming an honest and industrious citizen, were decidedly in favor of the youth, who had received the advantages of early instruction; and such by actual experience, is found to be the fact.

The Rev M[r] Stanford whose benevolent labours for many years, in our Alms House, and Prisons are so well known states, as his

opinion, that at least one third of those, who become inmates of these establishments are ignorant even of the Alphabet; and the Justices of the Police give it, as their belief, that two thirds of all that are brought before that Court, can neither read nor write. In the House of Refuge for Juvenile Delinquents, an establishment peculiarly calculated to furnish an illustration of the principle referred to, about three-fourths of the inmates, on their entrance, it is found, are in a state of similar destitution.

If then we assume the proportion of our population, who are entirely illitrate, as one tenth of the whole, and the proportion of our criminals and paupers, who are similarly circumstanced as one half of the whole, which we are persuaded is a moderate estimate it will follow as a necessary conclusion, that upon the question of pauperism [167] or crime, the chances in favor of Knowledge and against ignorance are about as ten to one.

The Capital at present invested in the pauper and criminal establishments of the City, is about 600,000 dollars; the annual interest of which at 6 per cent, is 36,000; which, added to the actual current expenditures for the same object, as stated in the Official estimates, makes a total of 166,000 Dollars, which is about the amount of the annual charge upon the City for criminals and paupers.

The Committee would not be understood as intimating that by furnishing the means of instruction to our whole population, so large a proportion as nine-tenths of this grievous burthen would be removed.

They do however submit it as their decided conviction, founded on the facts and reasonings above stated, that a stop would thereby be put to the future increase of the evil, and that in a few years, in all probability, a very sensible reduction would be made in its present magnitude. It should be observed also, that the action of education, in this view of it, is two fold. It not only, as a general consequence, prevents its recipients from becoming idle consumers, but promotes their becoming active producers, in the common stock of national wealth; and thus, while it diminishes the demand for taxation, it increases the supply from which Taxes are to be drawn.

[168] As a mere question of political economy therefore, omitting the numerous other important considerations, which might be urged, especially those connected with the institution of universal suffrage, the Committee are of opinion that the Common Council are fully warranted, and indeed imperiously required to make further and ample provision for the more extensive diffusion of elementary knowledge,

among the rising generation of this great and growing City, of whose interests and welfare they are the constituted Guardians.

The Committee accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that application be made to the Legislature for the passage of a Law authorizing the Common Council to lay a Tax of one-fortieth of one per cent on the real and personal property assessed in the City of New York, to be set apart as a separate fund to be applied exclusively to the extension and support of the system of Public Schools

James I Roosevelt Jr
Gideon Lee
David Rogers
John R Peters
James Palmer
William Seaman
William W Mott
John Lozier

[169] The Report presented this Meeting was as follows.

The Special and Finance Committees, to whom were referred the Memorials of the Trustees of the Public Schools, and of sundry other citizens on the subject of extending the System of Public Schools submit to the Common Council the following

Report.

They have reconsidered the subject, as directed by the Common Council, and after viewing it in all its bearings, have finally concluded to recommend the laying of a Tax which will produce about the sum of $14.000 per Annum

The Committee are aware that this is only one half of the amount proposed in their former Report, and only one fourth of that suggested by the Memorialists—They were induced to make the reduction, not from any disposition to undervalue the great importance of education, but partly in consequence of the great burthen already imposed upon this City, and partly with a view to unanimity among the several members of the Committee.

The Committee accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that application be made to the Legislature for the passage of a Law authorising the Common Council annually to lay a Special Tax [170] of one eightieth of one per Cent to be applied ex-

clusively to the support of Common Schools in the City of New York

James I Roosevelt Jr
W Seaman
David Rogers
James Palmer
G Lee
John R Peters
Wm W Mott
John Lozier

Mr Roosevelt moved the following to be added to the Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board prepare a Memorial and Law conformable to the foregoing Resolution and cause the same to be authenticated in the recess of the Board and transmitted to the Legislature.

After some considerable debate Mr Engs moved the previous question. The President according put the question, shall the Main question be now put. A Division having been called by Alderman Coe the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra [171] Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Arcularius Strong Jeremiah Cooper Engs 11.

In the Negative Ald Mott Stevens I Brown Rogers Coe B M Brown Peters Messerole Dodge Mr Seymour Mandeville Bryson Seaman Cowan Wells Pinckney Lovett 17

So it passed in the Negative—A Motion was then made to adjourn which was lost; A Motion was then made to lay the Report on the Table, upon the question thereon, the Board was equally divided, when the Mayor gave his vote in the Negative, so the question was lost—A Motion was then made to refer back the Report and a Division having been called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald I Brown [172] Rogers Lee Woodruff Mr Bryson Seaman Pinckney Cooper Lovett 10

In the Negative Ald Cebra Mott Stevens Coe B M Brown Peters Messerole Dodge Palmer Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Arcularius Strong Cowan Wells Jeremiah Engs 18.

So it passed in the Negative—The Question was then taken on adopting the Report.

A Division having been called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra Mott Stevens Rogers

[173] Peters Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Arcularius Strong Wells Jeremiah Pinckney Cooper Engs 19

In the Negative Ald I Brown Coe B M Brown Messerole Dodge Mr Bryson Seaman Cowan Lovett 9

So it was carried in the Affirmative, and the Report and Resolution presented this evening was Approved and Adopted—Alderman Coe gave notice of Reconsideration at the next Meeting of the Board.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which was read the Resignations accepted and the Appointments made

[174] Fire Engine Co

No 12

Henry Van Dervoort Frederick Riley Henry Riley William Jagger John Reese Resigned

William Miller Expelled for neglect of Duty

John F Mason Deceased

No 21

Augustus W Vanpell Accountant 156 William St

Vc Baxter Howe Resigned

No 23

David V H Bertholf Clerk 51 Provoost St

Vc Thomas Southart Resigned

No 30.

Gideon Carstang Rope Maker 192 Orchard St

Vc William Farrington Resigned

Simon Seward Butcher 188 Mott St Vc James B Mead—Resigned

No 42

Lorenzo McFarland Copper Smith Perry Street

Vc Joseph Keen Resigned

No 47.

John Demond Ship Wright Cor Columbia & Rivington St

Vc Stephen Covert Resigned

[175] No 44.

Jacob Bell John Demon Thomas Beilby David Brown Cornelius Winant Lewis S Dod[d] Resigned.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No				No		
	1.	A L Braine	Owner		42 Allen St	A Privy
	2.	Do	Do		44 Do	Do
	3.	G Striker	Do		46 Do	Do
	4.	M Waters	Do		7 Augustus St	Do
	5.	T Wymbs	Do		25 Do	Do
	6.	Heirs of G Janeway	Do		31 Do	Do
	7.	Do	Do		33 Do	Do
	8.	Pr Martin	Executor		35 Do	Do
	9.	G B Abeel	Owner		51 Do	Do
	10.	Do	Do		53 Do	Do
	11.	H Logue	Do		Augustus & Duane St	Do
	12.	Ts Hays	Do		98 Chrystie St	Do
	13.	A McAdams	Do		109 Division	Do
	14.	Pr Martin	Executor		37 Duane St	Do
	15.	E Baum	owner		95 Do	Do
	16.	[176] J Beekman	Do		8 Eldridge St	Do
	17.	Do	Do		10 Do	Do
	18.	W J McMaster	Agent		7 Essex St	Do
	19.	J Buckmaster	Do		11 Do	Do
	20.	J Little	owner		29 Do	Do
	21.	Wm Nelson	Do		33 Do	Do
	22.	Rt Bogardus	Do		37 Do	Do
	23.	Ths Leggett	Do		54 Do	Do
	24.	J Jacobus	Do		34 Forsyth St	Do
	25.	W S Lewis	Do		36 Do	Do
	26.	G Sinclair	Do		Forsyth Corner Pump	Do
	27.	Wm W. Winans	Do		50 Harman St	Do
	28.	W Furman	Do		62 Do	Do
	29.	Heirs of Wm Price	Do		74 Do	Do
	30.	J Hedges	Do		94 Do	Do
	31.	S Roe	Do		100 Do	Do
	32.	Dl Cashman	Do		112 Do	Do
	33.	Jno Ewen	Do		120 Do	Do
	34.	Anthy Woodward	Do		122 Do	Do
	35.	Chs Cashman	Do		134 Do	Do
	36.	J Leveridge	Do		144 Do	Do
	37.	P. W Spicer	Do		156 Do	Do
	38.	D Burt	Do		158 Do	Do
	39.	*M Bassee* [A Bergh]	Do		160 Do	Do
	40.	A L Braine	Do		91 Hester St	Do
	41	W. G Ely	Do		218 Hudson St	Do
	42.	Wm Sullivan	Do		97 Leonard St	Do
	43.	[177] D Curry	Do		98 Do	Do
	44.	E Clark	Do		100 Do	Do
	45.	Do	Do		102 Do	Do
	46.	Do	Do		106 Do	Do
	47.	M Strong	Agent		27 Lespenard St	Do

48. Js Campbell	owner	8 Ludlum St	A Privy
49. J Arthur	Do	18 Do	Do
50. W Raynor	Do	20 Do	Do
51. Jno Hart	Do	26 Do	Do
52. H Anderson	Do	34 Do	Do
53. M Vantassel	Do	58 Do	Do
54. L Raymond	Do	60 Do	Do
55. D Evans	Do	7 Norfolk St	Do
56. J Englesby	Do	6 Republican Alley	Do
57. A Campbell	Do	7 Do	Do
58 Js Anderson	Do	8 Do	Do
59. J F Jacobs	Do	61 Robinson St	Do
60. M A Robb	Do	224 Spring St	Do
61. Wm S Ross	Do	174 Anthony St	Do
62. J Eastmond	Do	228 William St	A Lot
63. J Devlin	Do	Hammond St	Do
64. T L Ogden	do	Grand St	Do

Geo: Cuming City Inspectr

Which were passed

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for opening [178] Fifteenth street from the Bowery to the 3d Avenue Whereupon a Warrant was directed to issue to Morris D Camp to collect the same.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well & Pump in Fourth street near Wooster street and Gideon Ostrander appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in Wooster street between Spring & Prince street and Jameson Cox appointed Collector.

For regulating & paving Broadway from Tenth to Thirteenth street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For regulating & paving Third Avenue from Sixth to Thirteenth street and Jameson Cox appointed Collector.

The Counsel presented the following Resolutions for opening Eighteenth Street which were adopted

I. Resolved that it is desirable for Public [179] convenience that 18th Street be opened between the Bloomingdale Road and the Fitz Roy Road as the same was laid out by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads in the City of New York under and by virtue of the Act entitled "An Act relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and Roads in the City of New York and for other purposes" passed April 3d 1807—And the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done.

II. Resolved that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary

application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the premises and that the Petition for that purpose may be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to Report upon the expediency of Building Piers adjoining the Public property on the North River in order to accommodate the rapid increasing Commerce.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was referred to the [180] Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Resolved that the proprietor or proprietors of the Water Grants adjoining to and next to the Westerly side of the Coffee House Slip be directed to remove the Mud shoaling the Waters at that place.

Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that West street be regulated and paved from Hoboken street to Hammersly street.

Alderman Mott presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Blackwells Island with power.

Resolved that the Committee on be authorized to enter into an arrangement with the State for the permanent Keeping of the female convicts, who may be sentenced to imprisonment in the Southern district.

Alderman Woodruff presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Canal Committee and Street Commissioner.

Resolved that the Canal Committee be [181] authorised to prepare a plan and specifications and advertise for Estimates for building and continuing the Sewer in Canal Street from the Westerly side of Washington street to the Bulk head on the river agreeable to the Report of the Finance and Canal Committee adopted this Evening.

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs and Public Offices.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Repairs to examine consider and Report to the Common Council at the next Meeting thereof the propriety and expediency of fitting up in a proper & Convenient manner the Building in Chamber street belonging to the City called the Rotunda for the occupation of the Court of Sessions— And also their opinion as to the propriety of erecting a convenient Edifice adjoining the said Rotunda on Chamber street for the accommodation of the Police Office and Grand and Petit Jurors.

His Honor the Mayor appointed a Special Committee on Gas viz[t] Alderman Mott M[r] Recorder Al[d] Coe M[r] Engs M[r] Pinckney

[182] Alderman I Brown presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Gas Committee.

Resolved that the Special Committee on Gas report on the propriety of placing Gas lights in Pearl street between Franklin square and Chatham street.

Alderman Dodge presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it is expedient the passage way from Stanton and Rivington streets to the Manhattan Market be flagged.

The following Resolutions were presented and adopted.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board prepare a Memorial to the Legislature for the passage of an Act authorizing the removal of the Female prisioners now confined in the Old State prison at Greenwich to the Penitentiary or such other building as the Corporation may designate; and that such Memorial be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board [183] prepare a Memorial to the Legislature for the passage of such an Act as may be necessary to authorize the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of this City to take possession of a certain piece of land fronting on the 3[d] Avenue and lying between 6[th] & 7[th] Streets for a Public Market, and to open in the rear thereof a Street Fifty feet wide. And that such Memorial be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

The Comptroller presented the following Report.

Balance as per Act[t] 23[d] February	$26.560.33
Rec[d] for Tax of 1828	23.500.
" for Streets	7.828.89
" Rents	3.066.40
" Police Office	945.45
" Justices Courts	526.07
" Fire Department	460.
" Fines of Attorney	300.59
" District Attorney fees	58.54
" Superior Court fees	226.
" Clerk of Sessions	178.30
" Wells & Pumps	156.24
" Lien on Lots	129.68
" Mayoralty fees	16.
" Militia fines	11.72
	$63.964.21

[184] 60 Accounts Audited & directed to be paid.

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist		$1386.
Astin & Field do 2d do		945.
Stagg & Herring Do 3d do		945.
Geo: Cuming City Inspector 1 Qr Salary 1 March		200.
D Hageman Superdt Wharves 1 Qr do 5 March		150.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall 1 Mo 1 March		70.
C Myers Keeper Potters field	" "	63.
O Ayres Asst City Inspector	" "	54.
J Coffin Do	" "	54.
C Gillman Keeper of Battery	" "	35.
A McCready Keeper of Park	" "	35.
Isaac C Osborn Keeper of Washington Parade ground 33 days	"	24.75
J. J. Shoemaker St Inspector 1st Ward	1 Mo "	42.
T Woolcocks " 2d	" "	42.
J. B Ebbetts " 3d	" "	42.
N B Lyon " 4th	" "	42.
I. A Isaacs " 5th	" "	42.
S Waddell " 6th	16 days in Feby	24.
B Fuller " 7	1 Mo 1 March	42.
W. G. Babb " 8	" "	42.
H Mott " 9	" "	42.
T Austin " 10	" "	42.
Abm Hatfield " 11	" "	42.
D Hubbard " 13	" "	42.
Peter Field " 14	33 days "	49.50
[185] L Baum Clerk of Washington Market 1 Month & Expences		96.42
Jas Gilbert Clerk 3 Markets to 1 March		57.50
P Amerman Do to 15 Feby		25.75
Geo Duryea Clerk Fulton Market 1 Mo 1 March		41.67
I Asten sweeper do	" "	46.19
R Smith Clerk Franklin	" "	31.37
Jas Seaman " Manhattan	" "	28.
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health	" "	48.
A Parker do	" "	48.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removg Nuisances	" "	11.33
Abm Leggett Superdt Mud Scow 2 Jany to 8 March		239.27
Jas Morgan & Son repairs Do	.....	230.66
J Hays for Officers Extra Service Police 1 Qr 26 Feby		328.53
J Hays for do conveyg Prisoners to City Prison 1 Qr 1 Feby		282.50
J Hays for 3 Peace officers attendg C Council 26 Jany order of Mayor		4.50
H Maxwell Dist Attorney 1 Qr Salary 12 Feby		750.
D. T. Valentine Marshall Marine Court 1 Mo 1 March		30.
Samel Judd 28 Casks Oil		1512.56

Samel Judd Lamp Glasses &c	$22.38	
G Snethen Lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 March	1445.90	
R Provoost painting & repairg Lamps " "	128.97	
J. P Roome expences conveyg Prisoners to Sing Sing Prison	27.	
Wm A Davis printing & binding W & C Books for City Treasurer	5.50	
American subscription 6 Mo to 26 Feby	50.	
John M. Bloodgood Superdt Streets for sweeping	500.	
R Pettigrew Actt reg & pavg 3d Avenue fm 6th to 13th Street	4000.	
[186] S Fargay bal reg & pavg Broome fm Mangin St to Bulkhead	550.54	
P Smith Actt repav Madison fm Pike to Rutgers Street	350.	
P Smith Actt reg & pav Greene St fm Bleecker to 4th St	250.	
S Fargay bal repavg Duane fm Hudson to Greenwich St	47.62	
R Graves St Comr bal workg 8th Avenue for 1828	418.	
D Harron bal on Well Gouverneur near Harman St	63.38	
P McGlinn bal on Well Barrow near Bedford St	24.75	
A Burtis Superdt for Alms House	10.000.	
H. F. Jollie & E Beeman Sunday service 9 Ward 4 days each to 1 Jany	12.	26.205.54
Balance		$37.758.67

The Board then adjourned to Monday next the 16th at 5 OClock P. M.

[187] Adjourned Meeting In Common Council March 16. 1829

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
John Lozier	George D Strong
William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	James N Wells
Bernard J Messerole	Thomas Jeremiah
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Pinckney
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Sylvester Pendleton for a [188] Butchers License and Stall N° 8 Catharine Market now occupied by Amos Wood was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of S. D. Southmayd to be appointed a Weighmaster was read and referred to the Committee on Application for Office.

A Petition of George W Wiley to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of John Westervelt for the Office of Inspector of Lime was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Jacob Rabineau for permission to locate the "New York Salt Water Bath" at the Pier foot of Warren street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of a number of owners of property in Provoost between Hudson and Greenwich streets to have the street repaired but not repaved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons [189] for a Law prohibiting Steam Boats from occupying Fulton Slip at any season of the year excepting the three winter Months was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Henry W Tibbetts for a reduction of his Taxes was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Daniel Stansbury praying to be appointed a Measurer of Coal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Curry Hunt & Randolph for the extension of the Pier between Vesey & Fulton streets was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Lewis Berry and others to have a new Ballast Master appointed was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Michael Burnham and others to have the Fire Limits of the City extended was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

[190] A Petition of Thomas Roe to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of John Knapp and others to have a new Ballast Master appointed was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Nathaniel & Geo: Griswold and others to have

places assigned for Steam Boats was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of James Bell to be appointed a City Marshal was read and referred to his Honor the Mayor.

A Petition of sundry Inhabitants to have a large sunken Lot in Norfolk street filled in by order of the Common Council was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of Peter K Clark to be appointed an Inspector and Measurer of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

[191] A Petition of Henry Hillman and others to have West street regulated and paved between Spring street and King street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Patten and Seth Burges to have the Balance due them for building Bulkhead across Spring Street Basin was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating 14th & 15th Streets between the Bowery and the 3d Avenue. And 20th Street from the Bloomingdale Road to the 3d Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of digging out and regulating Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets between the Bowery and the Third Avenue. And Twentieth Street from the Bloomingdale Road to the Third Avenue

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee those Streets ought to be dug out regulated and rendered passable—Accordingly they recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that 14th and 15th Streets be dug out and regulated between the Bowery and [192] the Third Avenue.

Resolved that 20th Street be dug out and regulated between the Bloomingdale Road and the Third Avenue.

John Lozier
Thomas T Woodruff
John R Peters
William S Coe
Jeremiah Dodge

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Arts & Sciences to whom was referred the Communication of T C Van Wyck relative to standard of dryness in flour and grain presented the following Report.

The Committee on Arts & Sciences to whom was referred the Communication of Theodore C Van Wyck on the subject of a new and improved method of Inspecting flour and grain beg leave to Report.

That they have had an interview with the projector on the above subject and are satisfied from experiments made in their presence, that the Moisture in grain or flour can be calculated with entire accuracy; from data submitted to the Committee it would appear that a great annual loss is sustained by the Holders of the aforesaid article, [193] from its appearing in Market in a Musty Oily, or sour state, and that the present mode of Inspection, is not calculated to prevent this result. Your Committee are of opinion, that a higher standard of Inspection is very desirable in our State, and that by the additional Test proposed by M^r^ Van Wyck, a greater carefulness would be introduced on the part of the Farmer in drying his grain and on the part of the Miller in the process of grinding. The necessity of having grain, well dried, either by Common air or such as is rarified by a Moderate quantity of heat, ought to be obvious to the Farmer, as well as to the Merchant, or exporter; But experience proves that cupidity, or the obstinancy of habit, prevails over the most valuable considerations.

Your Committee feel sensible that it would be atchieving a most desirable object to introduce the means of preventing the deterioration of an Article, on which we are dependant in relation to our domestic wants and which forms one of the Staple export commodities of this State; But they are sensible that notwithstanding these various advantages, there would be many difficulties to encounter in the application of a Law compelling all flour to be subjected to this particular Test of Inspection, that the prejudices, and apparent interests of the farmer, and speculator in grain, would be opposed to the views of the consumer and Merchant, and that time and experience can [194] alone effect a Union of Sentiment on this Important subject. Your Committee would willingly recommend to the Legislature the propriety of enacting a Law for the establishment of the Standard here recommended, but they are fully aware that this is not a subject of peculiar interest to the City, and that they can not Consistently venture beyond the true limits of their Chartered powers, but they feel no hesitation in presenting it to their fellow citizens, as one worthy of their attention, affording them a Cheap and easy method of ascertaining for themselves, the quantity of Water in and consequently the true value of Flour and grain, the apparatus to be used being simple in its con-

struction, and obvious in its operation, Your Committee in leaving this subject would beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that this Report be filed in the Clerk's Office, and a Copy thereof be placed at the disposal of Mr Van Wyck.

Peter Cooper
Thos Jeremiah
John Lozier.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Joint Committees on Repairs [195] and Public Offices respecting the Building in Chamber street called the Rotunda presented the following Report.

The Joint Committees on Repairs and Public Offices to whom the Resolution of the Common Council of the 9th Instant was referred on the subject of the building belonging to the Corporation in Chamber street (called the Rotunda) and constructing a suitable building adjoining the same for the accommodation of the Police Office, and convenient apartments for the Grand and Petit jurors, have had the subject under consideration and now Report in part thereon.

That they are unanimously of opinion, that it will be a great accommodation to the Public and relief to the City Hall that the said Rotunda be repaired and properly fitted up, for the use of the Court of Sessions and other Courts for the Trial of Criminals—The walls on examination are of sufficient solidity & Strength and that the said building is of ample capacity, to be converted into a convenient and elegant Sessions Room or Hall—And the said Committees on the other part of the Resolution referred to them, have the same under consideration and will report to the Common Council thereon at a future Meeting of the Board

Respectfully submitted

Thomas T Woodruff
[196] James N Wells
Wm Mandeville
David Bryson
Jeremiah Dodge
David Rogers
Thomas Jeremiah

Which was read, Mr Seaman presented the following Resolution which was also read

Resolved that the Report be accepted and that it be referred to the Committee of Repairs to take proper measures to obtain possession of the Building named in said Report in behalf of the Corporation, that the said Committee proceed to cause to be fitted up and repaired the said Building for the purpose mentioned in their Report without any further direction of the Common Council.

A Motion was made to lay the same on the Table, which was lost. Alderman Mott moved to strike out of the Resolution proposed by Mr Seaman, so much as authorizes the Committee to fit up and repair said building for a Court Room—The question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative.

The question was then taken on agreeing to the Report and a Division being called by Alderman Stevens it was carried in the Affirmative [197] the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Mott I Brown Rogers Lozier Coe B M Brown Peters Meserole Dodge Lee Palmer Woodruff

In the Negative Ald Cebra Stevens Mr Cowan 3

Mr Roosevelts name being called, he rose and stated he wished to explain the vote he should give—The Mayor decided that it was out of order—An appeal was made from the decision of the Chair, and the question being taken thereon, the Board sustained the decision of the Mayor the call upon the Division was then proceeded in and the following Gentlemen voted in the Affirmative

Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Bryson Arcularius Strong Seaman Wells Pinckney Cooper Lovett Engs Jeremiah 26

[198] The Question was then taken on the Resolution proposed by Mr Seaman and was carried in the Affirmative. Mr Cowan gave notice that he would move for a reconsideration at the next meeting of the Board.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom had been referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in Sixth street near Thompson street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Ninth Ward and Street Commissioner

Report upon the within Petition that a Well and Pump is much wanted upon 6th Street near the Clinton House and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well & Pump be placed the South side of Sixth

street 25 feet West of the entrance to the Park at the intersection of 5th Avenue.

John R Peters
James N Wells
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[199] Alderman Rogers moved that the Board now take into consideration the proposed Amendments to the Health Law which was agreed to.

The Report of the Committee was read in the words following vizt

The Special Committee appointed to examine and Report whether any alterations ought to be made in the Quarantine Laws of the City of New York beg leave to Report.

That they have investigated the subject with that attention and deliberation which its importance, both as connected with the Commercial prosperity of this flourishing metropolis, and the caution which is requisite to preserve the health of its inhabitants imperiously demands.

The Committee would present to the serious consideration of the Board, the embarrasments and inconveniencies to which our mercantile interests are subject, from some of the provisions of the present Quarantine Law, and the consequent losses sustained by its operation— These embarrasments and losses are not confined to our Merchants, but are extended to every class of persons in their employ, and consequently our cartmen labourers stevedores &c are equally sufferers; to which may be added, the injury which the revenue sustains by the restrictions imposed—The comparative statement which the Committee annex [200] to this Report will point out the decrease of the article of Box Sugar, by which authenticated document it appears, that the loss in Commission and freight on this article alone, amounts to five hundred and fifty four thousand four hundred and ninety one dollars and ninety nine cents since the year One thousand eight hundred and twenty four, to which may be added, the loss in storage, cartage and labour.

It is confidently believed that many other articles, such as Coffee, Molases, Hides, &c are equally affected by the present Quarantine Law.

The Committee would refer the Board to the fact, that the Quarantine Laws of Philadelphia and Boston are much more liberal in their nature, and less oppressive in their operation than ours, and that such relaxations have not been productive of the evils

which the opponents of a liberal system of Quarantine appear to anticipate. By a reference to the 4th section of the Quarantine Laws of Philadelphia, it will be perceived that a healthy Vessel, arriving from a healthy Port (whether from the West Indies or elsewhere) is, after due examination, immediately admitted to the Wharf with her cargo on board, while a Vessel arriving at the Port of New York, under the like circumstances, is not permitted to approach the wharf for a period of four Months, neither with nor without her cargo on board, notwithstanding [201] she may have received the purification and ventilation required by Law.

The Quarantine Laws of Boston differ from ours in the fact, that all vessels, of all classes, are subject to such discretionary regulations alone as the Health Officer may prescribe, and from whose decision an appeal can be had, in all cases, to the Mayor and Board of Health— If the Amendments recommended by the Committee are adopted, it will be perceived, that our Law will be still much more restrictive than either that of Philadelphia or Boston.

It will be proper here to observe, that the Committee recommend no alterations in the present Law, except such as extends the discretionary power of the Health Officer, and Mayor and Board of Health; and while the persons who possess this power are our fellow citizens, who are equally interested with ourselves in exacting all necessary and reasonable restrictions, surely no apprehensions can be entertained as to its proper exercise; and it is believed by the Committee, that many cases of peculiar hardship have heretofore existed, which might have been safely relieved by the proper extension of such discretionary powers.

The benefits which will be extended to the commercial interests of the City, by adopting the proposed Amendments are believed by the Committee to consist.

[202] First—In the appeal which is authorized from the decisions of the Health Officer, to the Mayor and Board of Health.

Second. In confining what is at present an unlimited Quarantine for a healthy Vessel to a certain period of time, except by order of the Board of Health, or the Mayor and Commissioners of Health.

Third. In allowing such sickly Vessels as the Health Officer may designate to unlade their cargoes at the Pier at the Quarantine Ground, thereby preventing the unnecessary expense of employing Lighters in all cases.

Fourth. In allowing such articles of Merchandize as, in the opinion of the Health Officer, are not dangerous to the Public Health,

to be delivered by Lighters at the Wharves of our City, thereby increasing the facilities of our export trade.

Fifth. In extending to our coasting trade some necessary protection, by permitting Salt lumber &c coming in coasting Vessels, to be landed at our wharves: and,

Sixth. In permitting certain Vessels which have arrived from health ports in the West Indies, to come to our wharves, after receiving such ventilation and performing such Quarantine, as the Health Officer may direct, thereby allowing those vessels to avail themselves of such freights as are by the [203] present Law, lost to the owners.

The Committee would further remark that the present restrictions on our commerce compel many persons, in the warm season to purchase West India produce in Philadelphia and Boston, where the good[s] which are interdicted by our Laws are freely admitted, and they cannot but believe, that the citizens of New York, whose canvass floats on every sea, whose commerce extends to every shore, and whose prosperity and enterprize have justly elicited the admiration of every nation, should feel a laudable pride to improve their local advantages, by divesting their commercial regulations of those unnecessary shackles, from which their less fortunate rivals are, at present, reaping an extensive business.

The Committee would here observe, that there has already been much accomplished, in removing unnecessary restrictions from our system of Quarantine, and that, from such amelioration, no evil consequences have arisen.

In the consideration of this important subject, the Committee have decided, that the first and paramount object to be attained is to preserve the health of the City and they now submit to the unbiassed judgment of this Board, the Amendments to the Quarantine Law which they have thought proper to recommend, confident that while they will [204] paritally relieve the mercantile community from some of the unnecessary burdens under which they now suffer, they will in no degree increase the hazard of our contracting any pestilential or infectious disease.

The Committee are of opinion that further Amendments might with safety have been recommended, but they rather chose to confine themselves to partial ameliorations, than be subject to the animadversions of the most cautious of those who, in common with the Committee, deprecate any alteration which can be supposed, in the most remote degree, to endanger the public health.

The Committee have put such alterations into the form of proposed

Amendments to the 14th Chapter of part 1st of the Revised Statutes of this State which treats "Of the Public Health" and have annexed the same to their Report, and they recommend that application be made to the Legislature, at the present Session thereof, for the passage of such Law as may be necessary to carry the same into effect.

David Rogers
Samuel Stevens
George D Strong
Gideon Lee

[205] Amendments
Proposed to Chap XIV. of the Revised Statutes
"of the Public Health."

§ 6. Every vessel included in the third class, which shall arrive between the thirty first day of May and the first day of October in any year, shall remain at Quarantine for two days, and for such further period as the Health Officer shall deem expedient; but from the provisions of this section, vessels from Canton and Calcutta are excepted, unless they shall have been at some place in the West Indies, or in America, South of St Marys in Georgia, and North of the equator or on the continent, or islands near the continent of Africa, after the fifteenth day of May, in the year of their arrival.

1st Title II. § 6. After the word expedient, on the 5th line add—"Not exceeding twenty days except by order of the Board of Health, or Mayor and Commissioners of Health."

§ 7. Every vessel in the fourth class, which shall arrive within the days mentioned in the last section, and every vessel in the fifth Class, shall remain at Quarantine for at least [thirty days] after her arrival, and in all cases at least Twenty days after her whole cargo shall have been discharged and landed, and shall perform such other Quarantine as the Health Officer shall prescribe.

2d § 7. After the word "prescribe" on the last line add "Subject to the approval or disapproval of the Board [206] of Health, or of the Mayor and Commissioners of Health.

§ 25. It shall be the duty of the Health Officer to cause the Cargo of every such Vessel to be landed at the Quarantine ground, or some other suitable place out of the City, and there be properly ventilated and cleansed, for at least Twenty days.

3d § 25. After the word "days" on the last line, add—"And when said Cargo is ordered to be landed at the Quarantine Ground,

the vessel may be permitted by the Health Officer, or Mayor and Commissioners of Health, to discharge the same at the piers provided for that purpose"

§ 28. None of the officers, passengers or crew, of any such vessel, shall proceed to or enter the City until fifteen days after the sailing of the vessel from her foreign port of departure, nor until fifteen days after the last case of pestilential or infectious fever that shall have occurred on board, nor until ten days after landing at Quarantine.

4th § 28. After the word "Quarantine" on the last line add— "unless by permission of the Health Officer"

§ 34. If in their opinion it shall not be dangerous to the public health, the Health Officer, the Board of Health or the Mayor and Commissioners of Health may permit such articles to be shipped for exportation by sea, or transportation up the North [207] or East river, in any vessel which shall not approach, whilst loading or when loaded, nearer than three hundred yards to the wharves of the City; and if any vessel, so loaded, shall approach nearer to the City, the articles so loaded may be seized and sold by the Commissioners of Health, for the use of the Marine Hospital.

5th §34. Strike out all after the word "River" on the 5th line, and insert as follows "And for such purpose to be transported in Lighters to any Vessels lying at the Wharves or Piers of the City: but such articles shall not be landed on any such wharf or pier, or elsewhere in the City; and if so landed, the said articles may be seized and sold by the Commissioners of Health, for the use of the Marine Hospital."

§ 52. If any coasting vessel, subject to a regular Quarantine of two days, shall be wholly laden with lumber or timber, the Mayor and Commissioners of Health may permit her cargo to be discharged at any wharf they shall designate; but after such discharge, such vessel shall be subject to all restrictions in the preceding sections in this article contained

6th § 52. Strike out all before the words "The Mayor &c," on the 3d line, and insert "If any vessel subject to a regular quarantine of two days, whose cargo shall consist of Lumber, dye wood, or salt"

§. 53. Any vessel which has been regularly employed in trading to one port or Island in the West Indies [208] or America, South of Georgia and North of the Equator, for the period of Twelve months immediately preceding her arrival at the port of New York, and the port or island being free from any yellow, billious—malignant or any

pestilential *on* [or] infectious fever, as well as the crew and passengers, and having performed her regular Quarantine of two days, and been properly ventilated and permitted by the Health Officer to proceed to the stream, three hundred yards from the City, may be permitted by the Mayor and Commissioners of Health, to come to the Wharf with her cargo on Board, on and after the first day of October, provided the Cargo, in their opinion is of a harmless character.

7th § 53. Strike out the words "on and after the first day of October" near the end of the section.

§55. All vessels from the West India Islands, and America, south of Georgia and north of the Equator, being healthy and from health ports after performing two days Quarantine, and being properly ventilated and being permitted by the Health Officer to come to the stream three hundred yards from the City, may, after their Cargoes shall have been discharged, and the Vessel well cleaned and purified, be permitted by the Mayor and Commissioners of Health to come to such wharf as they may designate, to receive their outward Cargoes at any times [209] after the first of October.

8th §55. Strike out the words "at any time after the first of October" at the end of the section.

§19. The Board of Health, or the Mayor and Commissioners of Health, may however permit sound hides and skins to be brought into the City, south of the last line described, in small quantities, and for the purpose of immediate manufacture, but not otherwise.

9th Title III., Article 3d § 19. Strike out "but not otherwise," at the end of the section, and insert the words, "or immediate sale."

The first section of the Health Law which was proposed to be amended was then again read Mr Roosevelt then rose and stated that he had received a letter from the Honbl Stephen Allen former Mayor of this City and at present a Member of the Senate of this State now in Session at Albany, which letter he begged permission to read, as it was on the subject of the proposed amendments. Permission being given Mr Roosevelt read the Letter in which Mr Allen for sundry reasons disapproves of the amendments.—The subject was then considered and after considerable discussion, the Question was taken on agreeing to the amendment—And a Division having been called by Alderman Rogers the Members voted as follows

[210] In the Affirmative Ald Mott Stevens Rogers Peters Dodge Lee Mr Seymour Arcularius Strong Jeremiah Cooper 11

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra I Brown Lozier Coe

B M Brown Messerole Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Mandeville Bryson Seaman Cowan Wells Pinckney Lovett Engs 18.

So it passed in the Negative—Alderman Peters then moved that the further consideration be postponed—The question being tak[en]*ing* thereon it was carried in the Affirmative.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto. Viz[t]

[211] For regulating Fifteenth street from the Bowery to the Third Avenue and Shivers Parker Abraham Baudoine & Abraham Quick appointed Assessors.

For regulating Fourteenth Street from the Bowery to the Third Avenue and John Targee Gideon Tucker & John Leonard were appointed Assessors.

For regulating Twentieth street from the Bloomingdale Road to the Third Avenue and Thomas R Smith John Slidell & Jedediah B Liester appointed Assessors.

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in sunken Lots on Sixth street between Avenues C and D. the same to be a Lien on the property so filled in—Which was passed

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No	1	J Appley	Owner	No 304	Broome St	A privy
	2.	M Halsted	Do	31	Catharine St	Do
	3.	S Marvin	Do	59	Do	Do
	4.	Heirs of B Mott	Do	84	Do	Do
	5.	Do	Do	86	Do	Do
	6.	H Brooks	Do	97	Do	Do
	7.	[212] J Ackerly	Do	120	Cherry St	Do
	8.	J Moore	Do	193	Division	Do
	9.	M Griffen	Do	227	Do	Do
	10.	A Travers	Occupt	229	Do	Do
	11.	J Hilton	owner	231	Do	Do
	12.	S Dobbs	Do	233	Do	Do
	13.	M Van Deusen	Lessee	235	Do	Do
	14.	H Redden	owner	237	Do	Do
	15.	S Wright	Do	239	Do	Do
	16.	Do	Do	241	Do	Do
	17.	Rd Lyons	Do	12	Essex St	Do
	18.	W & G Post	Do	44	Do	Do
	19.	J Post	Do	46	Do	Do
	20.	S Downing	Do	19	Hamilton St	Do
	21.	R Cornell	Do	31	Do	Do

22.	T Wymbs	owner		49	Harman St	A privy
23.	M Farren	Do		141	Do	Do
24.	P Morris	Do		196½	Do	Do
25	J Shirley	Do		204	Do	Do
26.	A Egbert	Do		208	Do	Do
27.	B Lupton	Do		210	Do	Do
28.	J. S. King	Do		212	Do	Do
29.	A Bailey	Do		214	Do	Do
30.	Strong & Ballagh	Do		44	Henry St	Do
31.	J. R Gibson	Do		55	Do	Do
32.	C McGeery	Do		5	Jefferson	Do
33.	W B Crosby	Do		7	Do	Do
34.	[213] W B Crosby	Do		9	Do	Do
35.	Sl Cowdrey	Do		73	John St	Do
36.	W Hicks	Do	No	5	Lombardy	Do
37.	Do	Do		7	Do	Do
38.	H Remsen	Do		15	Do	Do
39.	G Downing	Do		19	Do	Do
40.	C Jacobus	Do		23	Do	Do
41.	G Furman	Do		25	Do	Do
42.	J Smart	Do		35	Do	Do
43.	M Shaumsburgh	Do		45	Do	Do
44.	J Parks	Do		75	Do	Do
45.	J Brown	Do		79	Do	Do
46.	H Scovell	Do		81	Do	Do
47.	C Dickenson	Do		82	Do	Do
48.	S F Pell	Do		116	Do	Do
49.	A Walker	Do		131	Do	Do
50.	S Ackerly	Do		132	Do	Do
51.	L Fay	Do		132	Do	Do
52.	M Brown	Do		134	Do	Do
53.	M Waterberry	Do		135	Do	Do
54.	J Miller	Do		137	Do	Do
55.	M Shaumburgh	Do	No	45	Market	Do
56.	J Schureman	Do	No	111	Mott	Do
57.	W Murphy	Lessee	No	1	Oak	Do
58.	Do	Do		3.	Do	Do
59	P. Hegeman	owner		5	Do	Do
60.	S Hobbs	Lessee		10	Do	Do
61.	[214] P Goelett	owner		21	Do	Do
62.	do	Do		23	Do	Do
63.	W Provoost	Do		29	Do	Do
64.	W & G Post	Do		35	Do	Do
65.	W McLean	Do		45	Do	Do
66.	C Judah	Agent	No	17	Oliver St	Do
67.	Do	Do		19	Do	Do
68.	Do	Do		21	Do	Do
69.	Do	Do		23	Do	Do
70.	Do	Do		25	Do	Do

71.	C Judah	Agent	27 Oliver St	A privy
72.	Do	Do	31 Do	Do
73.	J Miller	Owner No	60 Rutgers	Do
74.	J Reeves & J Bennet Trustees of Methodist Church		Sullivan St	Do
75.	Rd Amos	owner	605 Washington St	Do
76.	R Jennings	Agent	Montgomery St	A Lot
77.	Hy Remsen	owner	Henry St	Do
78.	J. R Livingston	Do	Pitt St	Do
79	M Ma[r]x	Do	Amity St	Do
80.	W Ovington	Do	Macdougal St	Do
81	J Ovington	Do	Do	Do

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Which were passed.

A Motion was made to adjourn, which was lost.

[215] Alderman Coe agreeable to notice given at the last Meeting, now moved that the Board reconsider the vote on the Report of the Special Committee and the Finance Committee, on the subject of laying a Tax for the further extension of Common Schools

The question being taken on reconsidering, it passed in the Negative, so the Board refused to reconsider the Vote on that subject.

The Report of the Committee on the Fire Department on the subject of supplying the City with Water for the extinguishment of Fires, was on the motion of Alderman I Brown called up and being read was as follows

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Communication from the late Chief Engineer, in relation to the supply of water for the purpose of extinguishing Fire

Report.

That they have given this very difficult and embarrassing subject their most serious consideration.

Although the natural advantages of our City in other respects are not excelled, nor perhaps equalled, by any City in the world, yet it must be admitted, that we are badly supplied with water for culinary purposes, or for the extinguishment of fires.

Various Institutions have been chartered [216] for the purpose of bringing Water into the City, but none have as yet ever complied with the main object of their Charters, so far as the public was interested; and the Committee remark that similar incorporations of private individuals whether they propose at their commencement to furnish pure and wholesome water, or pure and first quality gas, are soon found to

have an eye only to the profits of their incorporations, and the public suffer under their monopolies.

The water pipes of the Manhattan Company extend to such parts of the City as they may deem advisable to put them, on the score of profit; and the upper part of our City, although not possessed of good water, have it, however of a quality superior to that supplied by the Manhattan Company, and therefore they are unwilling generally to take the Manhattan water. The result is, that all that part of the City lying above Grand street on Broadway, or Pearl street on the east side of the City, has not the use of the Manhattan water for the purpose of extinguishing fires. It has, therefore, become absolutely necessary for the Corporation, in some manner, to give to the upper part of the City a supply of water for that purpose.

The breadth of the Island at Grand street is about Two miles and does not materially [217] differ as high up as Fourteenth street. It will be perceived, that the extreme distance from the Rivers of the part of the City between Grand and Fourteenth streets is one mile or 5,280 feet. Now to bring the water from either River at the extreme distance, by Engines would require 26. Our whole Engine Establishment could not form two lines. This mode of furnishing water by Engines from the Rivers is not only too limited, but too laborious to the Firemen, to be at all relied on, for the section of the City referred to.

Another mode of supply is by cisterns, and this to a certain extent, is already in operation. The Corporation has at present 40 public Cisterns, which have cost on an average $600 each, making in all a cost of at least $24.000.—They usually contain 100 hogsheads each. Now to provide for the section of the City between Fourteenth and Grand streets on Broadway and Fourteenth and Pearl streets on Chatham street, on the east side of the City by Cisterns would require the construction of at least 60 additional cisterns supposing that each thousand feet square required a cistern; and if we estimate them at $600, each, (including expences of Assessments). it will make the sum of $36.000. The cisterns would probably not last longer than from 20 to 25 years, and would require considerable expense in repairs of leaks and for leaders &c during that time.

Your Committee have come to the conclusion [218] to recommend to the Board, the laying down of two lines of iron pipes, for the security against fires of the section of the City above described.

They propose that the Corporation should lease three or four Lots of the Sailors' Snug Harbour Estate, or near there. The elevation

of the surface there, say Broadway and Fourteenth street, above the levels of the Rivers, is 39 feet. The highest part of the City below Fourteenth street does not exceed 42 feet.

A rise or additional head at Fourteenth street (as a starting point) of three feet, would give the necessary head to make the water flow over the surface of the highest streets in the City, and would give an excess of head over four fifths of the section of the City referred to of at least fifteen feet. But as a reservoir would be necessary to hold the supply of water, an additional head of Twenty feet is proposed to be in this manner obtained for 2.000 hogsheads (equal to twenty cisterns) which will be contained in a reservoir of feet diamater and twenty feet height, which might be made of Stone or wood, and perhaps the latter material would be sufficiently durable for the purposes intended

This quantity of water, with that held in the tubes, would give an ample supply for any fire.

Your Committee propose to lay one line of tubes from about Fourteenth street through the [219] Bowery, to its termination at Chatham Street, a distance of 6,500 feet; and also a line of Tubes commencing at the same place through Broadway to Canal street a distance of 5.500 feet. The diamaters of the tubes to be twelve inches. The cost of the tubes will be $1.14 cents per foot, or 6,020 per mile. The expense of laying down will be eighty six cents per foot, or $4,640 per mile. The distance of these two lines will be about 12.000 feet or 2¼ miles; and the aggregate expense of tubes laying down, and $500 for plugs or hydrants will amout to $24,500.

The expense of a wooden reservoir containing 2.000 hogsheads, equal to twenty cisterns, is estimated to cost not exceeding $1.500 making in all $26,000. It is believed, that the power of a single horse will be sufficient to pump the water into the reservoir, and the annual expense of a horse and man ought not to exceed $700,

Your Committee are of opinion that water sufficient for the purpose of extinguishing fires may be obtained any where about the part of the City referred to. In fact, there are wells already dug which would fill the tubes and reservoirs; and as it is contemplated to use the water only for fires, there would be no constant demand, excepting to supply the waste water.

Your committee are aware that it may [220] be said, that there will be a long distance between the tubes laid down in the Bowery and the East River, and so likewise between the Broadway tubes and the North River; but it must be remembered that the grounds in both

of the sections distant from the tubes are low, and that by attaching the Hose leaders to the main pipes on the high grounds of Broadway and the Bowery, assisted by the head at Fourteenth street, the water may be carried into the second and third stories of houses in the parts of the City most distant from the tubes. But if hereafter it should be found necessary, small tubes of six inches diamater might be laid down, to subdivide the sections referred to.

The advantages of this plan for the extinguishment of fires is obvious. The expense of Engines would be reduced. The tubes it is supposed, would last more than a century, and will require little or no repairs. All the water could be brought to any one point; whereas, a large fire would exhaust all the cisterns any where in its vicinity, while the water from the more distant cisterns could not be procured.

The proposed plan would go to reduce the labour of Firemen to a much greater extent than the plan of cisterns, and make their duty comparitively light; and it is certain that the Fire [221] as a Volunteer Department, cannot be upheld in our extended City, without reducing the excessive labour of procuring water.

It will not be denied, that the City is able and bound to give the dwellings of our citizens all reasonable security against fires; and your Committee ask, if the Board has done this in keeping up a system so defective, (principally for the want of water) as to have permitted the destruction of more than $600.000 of property by fire in the last year? and while, at the same time, those of our citizens who have not suffered by fire, have been excessively taxed by increased premiums of insurance. This plan adopted, much less property would be destroyed, and the premiums of insurance against fire would of course, be reduced.

Your Committee would remark, that the plan herein proposed, of laying down permanent iron tubes through the two main entrances into the City, does contemplate the time as not far distant, when the City will be ready to meet the expense of introducing good and wholesome water, sufficient for all purposes into the City. If the present plan of tubes is adopted, every dollar of the expenditures may be used for that most desirable object. Whereas if we went on with the plan of cisterns, we should soon find the City with a 100 Cisterns which in [222] the contemplated state of things, would become worse than useless.

An important question, as to who should lay down these tubes, and be at the expense incident to the same, has engaged the attention of the Committee.

By the rules heretofore practised upon in similar cases the expense would be assessed on the section of the City benefitted; but the Committee, considering that these tubes will probably be hereafter used for general purposes, as before intimated, and that there would be much expense attending the collection of the expense by assessments, have concluded to recommend that the same be borne by the Corporation.

Your Committee, in conclusion, offer the following Resolution:

Resolved, that the Committee on the Fire Department contract for the tubes, and make such other arrangements as may be necessary to carry this Report into effect.

Isaac Brown
Samuel Stevens
Benjamin M Brown
James Palmer
P. W Engs

The Question was then taken on adopting the [223] Report of the Committee, and it was carried in the Affirmative.

The following Resolution for application to the Legislature for a Law to discontinue the Public Parade or square as it now exists on the Map of the Commissioners for laying out Streets and Roads was presented

I. Resolved that it is expedient that application be made to the Legislature during the present Session for the passage of an Act to discontinue the Public Square or Parade as the same now exists in the Map or plan of the City, and to extend and continue in the said Map or plan the 5th Avenue and 24th 25th 26th 27th 28th 29th and 30th Streets through the space now designated thereon for such Public Square or Parade.

II. Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare the necessary Memorial for such an Act and that the same be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

The Question was taken thereon and it was carried in the Affirmative.

The Board adjourned to Monday next 23d Instant at 5 OClock P M.

[224] In Common Council March 23d 1829

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
Wm W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
John Lozier	George D Strong
William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	James N Wells
Bernard J Messerole	Thomas Jeremiah
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Pinckney
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Mrs Wilbur wishing the Corporation to take into consideration a Complaint [225] against Mr Clark a Butcher in the Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Elijah Peck owner of the Steam Boat Linneaus for permission to retain the present birth for his Vessel at the foot of Fulton Market Slip was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Ezra Waring Lessee of Cellar No 14 Fulton Market complaining of a Hucksters stand which darkens the windows of his Kitchen and requesting its removal, was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of a number of persons for a Well and Pump in Walker street near Orange street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 6th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Rachel Zuntz to be relieved from the payment of a Penalty incurred by interring the body of her son J Zuntz deceased in the Burying ground in Oliver Street was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of John N Grenzeback Lessee of Common Lands of the Corporation in the [226] Twelfth Ward praying the same may be sold to him in fee was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Cowman for permission to fill in and regulate through his own grounds, the 5th Avenue to the Centre of 17th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of the Inhabitants in the vicinity of Burnt Mill Point against permitting the Butchers depositing their Offals in that neighbourhood was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of John Sharp for a Butchers stand in Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Messrs DeRham Islin & Moore for leave to exhibit the Panoramic painting of the City and Lake of Geneva in the Rotunda was read and laid on the Table.

A Remonstrance of Shepherd Johnston and others against an Ordinance directing certain Lots in the vicinity of 12th Street and 6th Avenue [227] to be filled in was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Pearsall Jr for a reduction of his Personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Aaron Woodruff for permission to transfer his Stall No 9 Spring Street Market to Charles Lozier was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Memorial of Stephen D Beekman George Clinton Talmadge Executors of Elizabeth Talmadge deceased for a Water Grant on the North River to John Jacob Astor was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

An application of the President and Trustees of the Village of Brooklyn for the grant of Land at the foot of certain Streets in the Town of Brooklyn without compromiting the rights of said Town, to Land between High and Low water was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of the owners of property in Cherry street and other streets against the opening of a street from Chesnut Street at the termination of Oak street to Cherry street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[228] A Petition of John Field for permission to transfer to the Etna Insurance Company a Lease of property in Chatham street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Reed and Duane Streets against Manure being deposited hereafter at the foot of said Street and to have the same now deposited removed, was read and referred to the City Inspector

A Petition of the Fireman attached to Engine Co No 1 and several Citizens in the vicinity of Duane Market requesting a new location for their Engine or to have said House repaired was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Abraham Brower to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for allowing his carriage to Stand in the Street contrary to Law was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of William Kline for a Butchers Stall in Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[229] A Petition of William D Odle to be appointed Wood Inspector of the 1st District was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of John Woodward for Leave to assign the Lease of Lot N° 133 Common Lands to Samuel D Craig was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Barnabas Snell to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for permitting his son to drive his Horse and Cart contrary to Law, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against opening the Fourth Avenue from the Bloomingdale Road to the Old Boston Post Road was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Cummings for the payment of monies due on certain contracts for paving streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Samuel James for permission to erect a small building adjoining the Ferry at the foot of Walnut street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[230] A Petition of William Tellatt for Stand N° 58 Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Thomas A Bennett and others residents on Hudson and Chamber street to have said streets lighted with Gas was read and referred to the Gas Committee.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the subject of altering the Fire Laws presented a Report accompanied with the Project of a Law &c which were Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Revd Docr Harris to be released from the payment of personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Revd Docr Harris to be released from personal Tax

Respectfully Report.

That they have considered the Petition of Docr Harris, he claims the privileges of the Law [231] relative to taxing Clergymen which your Committee think is reasonable—They have come to the conclusion that

his request ought to be granted, and offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the Rev^{d} Doc^{r} William Harris be released from Tax on personal property in the third Ward to wit $1500, on Account of clerical privileges

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Messerole
Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
Jonathan Seymour
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessment to whom was referred the Petition of James Munroe J^{r} to be released from the payment of personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of James Munroe J^{r} of the 3^{d} Ward to be released from personal Tax

Respectfully Report

That they have duly considered the Petition together with the Affidavit hereto annexed, M^{r} Munroe [232] also appeared before your Committee, and by oath before us made, it appears that he comes within the rule prescribed by the Common Council, They therefore offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that James Munro J^{r} be released from Tax in the third Ward on personal property—Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Messerole
Henry Arcularius
Geo: D Strong
Jon^{a} Seymour
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of M^{rs} Jane Lynch to be relieved from part of her Tax on personal property presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of M^{rs} Jane Lynch of the 3^{d} Ward for a reduction of Tax on personal property Respectfully Report

That they have duly considered said Petition and the Affidavit hereto annexed, with the Certificate of the Assessors—They have

[233] also had the representation of an Honorable member of this Board on this subject, and have come to the conclusion that Mrs Lynch comes within the rule prescribed by the Common Council and is entitled to the relief prayed for—They therefore offer for consideration the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax of Mrs Jane Lynch in the 3d Ward be reduced from the amount on $10,000 to an Amount on $2,000 on personal property

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
Geo: D Strong
Jnoa Seymour
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Wheelwright to have an error in his Assessment corrected—presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Wheelwright of the 3d Ward for reduction of Tax on his personal property Respectfully Report

That they have duly considered said Petition [234] and the Affidavit annexed, and inasmuch as Mr Wheelwright has not complied with the Rule of this Board relating to application to the Assessors during the time prescribed by Law they are constrained to Report against his Petition, and accordingly present the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
Geo: D Strong
Jona Seymour
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Ferris to have a Deed attested which was neglected to be acknowledged by the former Clerk presented the following Resolution in favor of the same

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council prove the Grant named in the annexed application of Mr Benjamin Ferris pursuant to the prayer therein contained, that the said Grant may be Recorded

Which was adopted.

[235] The Road Committee to whom were referred the Petition of Peter Myers and others to have the Old Road or Lane at Harlem closed presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Roads to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Peter Myers and others, to have the Old Road or Lane at Harlaem closed between the 125th Street and the 8th Avenue.

Respectfully Report.

That in the opinion of your Committee, the said Old road is no longer required by the public as a way of passage, inasmuch as that the 4th 5th and 8th Avenues, and the 125th & 129th Streets are opened and worked into good Roads by the proprietors of the Grounds through which they pass, And also, that the Owners of all the grounds between the 3d and 8th Avenues and the 125th & 129th Street are prepared to Cede to this Corporation all the remaining Streets and Avenues not yet opened, and work the same at their individual expence.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the proprietors of the Grounds, lying on and adjoining the Old Road or Lane between the 125th and 129th Streets be permitted to close the same on the conditions expressed in the foregoing Report

[236] G Lee
Bernard J Meserole
John Lovett
Isaac Brown
John Yates Cebra

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee presented the Rent Roll of all the Markets for 1829

Which was Accepted and directed to be filed.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons relative to appointing Two inspectors of Charcoal presented the following Report

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Petition relative to the appointment of two Inspectors of Charcoal beg leave to Report

That they have thoroughly investigated the subject, they have had the opinions of those who consume large quantities of the Article, who state that they are satisfied, with the present Inspectors, and several of the persons that signed the Petition have requested their names to be erased stating that they only intended it to apply to peddling it in Waggons [237] through the streets, which evil the contemplated Law for hawking and peddling will remedy, and as respects the purchasing of the Article by the Inspectors and selling for a profit your Committee are happy in stating that they find no cause for this Complaint.

James N Wells
David Rogers
Thos Jeremiah
Wm Mandeville
David Bryson

Which was approved.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Resolution of Mr Roosevelt to make provision for the Accommodation [of] Juries & Courts of Justice presented the following Report.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom were referred the Resolutions offered by Mr Roosevelt beg leave to Report

That on enquiry they find that it is necessary to make farther provisions for Juries and Courts of Justice and other public objects, but to what extent they are not prepared to say, but from the enquiry they have made, they think it advisable to carry that part of the Resolutions into effect—respecting notice being given to the occupants of [238] the buildings on Chamber street, they therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Clerk give notice to all the occupants of apartments in the buildings in Chamber street, that the Rooms occupied by them are wanted for the use of the City and that they will be required to be vacated on or before the first day of August next.

James N Wells
David Rogers
Thos Jeremiah
Wm Mandeville
David Bryson

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

Mr Cowan agreeably to notice given at last Meeting moved that the Board now reconsider the Vote given on the Report of the Joint Com-

mittees of Repairs & Public Offices on the subject of the Building in Chamber street called the Rotunda the question being taken on the motion of Mr Cowan it passed in the Negative and the Board refused to reconsider the Vote of last meeting on that subject.

Mr Cowan then presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that notice be given to the occupant of the Rotunda that the same will be [239] wanted for public purposes on the first day of August next. The Petition of Messrs DeRham & Co was then called up & read—The question was then taken on adopting the Resolution proposed by Mr Cowan and it passed in the Negative.

The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Ferguson praying for a donation for himself and family presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Ferguson beg leave

To Report

That they have duly considered the same & they have come to the unanimous opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted. They beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that in the case of Robert Ferguson who has petitioned for a Donation on account of a heavy Loss sustained by him in taking a Contract to fill in Mulberry street from Prince to Bleecker street that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
Jeremiah Dodge
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[240] The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the Petition of the Female Assistance Society for a Donation presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the Petition of the Female Assistance Society for a Donation in aid of its funds

Beg leave to Report

That they have deliberated on the same & whilst they would acknowledge the invaluable services and the great good which is daily done by this Society yet they cannot think it is of that Public Character that ought to be supported by the Common Council, they accordingly offer the following

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition of the Female Assistance Society.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
Jeremiah Dodge
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Charity Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees of the Orphan Asylum for a Donation presented a Report in favor of the same, which was approved [241] A Motion was afterwards made to reconsider the same, which was carried in the Affirmative—A Motion was then made to lay the Report on the Table which was carried.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Rogers and others to have McDougal street continued to Eighth street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Rodgers and others to have McDougal street continued to Eighth Street

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion that Street ought to be opened and continued as requested by the petitioners and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved that McDougal street be opened and continued from Sixth street to Eighth Street.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board adopt the usual measures for having the foregoing resolution carried into effect.

John Lozier
John R Peters
William S Coe
Jeremiah Dodge
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[242] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Remonstrance against the Assessment for regulating and paving the Bowery between 4th Street and 13th Street presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the remonstrance

against the Assessment for regulating and paving the Bowery between 4th Street and 13th Street—Respectfully Report

That they have carefully investigated the said Assessment, and are of the opinion that there is no just cause of complaint, and therefore recommend that the Assessment be confirmed.

Accordingly they submit for adoption the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Assessment for the paving of the Bowery from Fourth street to Thirteenth street be confirmed.

John Lozier
John R Peters
William S Coe
Jeremiah Dodge
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and Remonstrance against [243] opening 6th Street from the Bowery to Broadway presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee Respectfully Report on the Petition to have Sixth street opened and continued from Broadway to the Bowery, That in their opinion that Street ought to be opened inasmuch as by it a direct communication will be made from the East to the North River along the Market to be built near the 3d Avenue and also of the Washington Parade.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved that Sixth Street be opened between Broadway and the Bowery.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board adopt the necessary measures for having the foregoing Resolutions carried into effect

John Lozier
John R Peters
William S Coe
Jeremiah Dodge
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

A Communication was received from Horatio Mott resigned his Office as Street Inspector of the 9th Ward which was Accepted.

[244] A Petition of Henry B Roome praying to be appointed Street Inspector of the 9th Ward *which* was read and upon motion it was

Resolved that Henry B Roome be and he is hereby appointed Street Inspector of the 9th Ward, and he was appointed accordingly.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, Whereupon the Resignations were accepted and the Appointments made.

Fire Engine Co

No 8

Daniel Fash
John Webbers
Benjamin Fuller
Thomas Hunt
George Went
William Wilson
James Davis
Thomas Dawson
Washington Ryder
William Baker
Otis Harrington
} Resigned

No 13

Henry Dunham—Machinist 219 Division St

Vc Niel Gray—Time Expired

[245] No 15

William Peterson
John B Tyrie
John Dally
David J Gomparts
} Resigned

No 35

Peter Pollion—Gentleman, Harlaem

Vc John S Adriance—Left the City

Amos Jones—Farmer, Harlaem Vc Sidney Udell—Left the City

Mark Walker Farmer Harlaem Vc Edward Vermilya Resigned

No 36

Moses Dodd Tailor 22 Clark St Vc Appolas Hall—Time Expired

No 37

Harman Katternhorn Grocer. Delancy Cor Allen St

Vc Joseph H Hobby—Resigned

Arnest Fink Butcher 28 Spring Street

Vc John P Butler—Resigned.

N° 42

Pascal Michalletti Merchant Oak Street

V^c Daniel C Pentz—Resigned

N° 44

Daniel Olmsted Blacksmith Willet S^t V^c Jacob Bell Resigned

[246] N° 39

Charles Ellet Merchant 26 Howard S^t

V^c William Hillerman

Andrew Kearney
Christopher Giffing
Benj^m B Giffing
John C Talman
Azel M^c*Cannon* [Camman]
Frederick Gassner
} Resigned

Fire Wardens C^o

9^th Ward

Jacob Brush Lumber Merch^t—629 Greenwich S^t

V^c Henry Hutchinson—Time expired

The City Inspector to whom was referred the subject of the state of certain Lots on Norfolk street presented the following Report accompanied with an Ordinance.

The City Inspector respectfully states to the Board that the Lots on the Westerly side of Norfolk street between Stanton street and North street referred to him at its last Meeting were Ordinanced to be filled with Earth to correct the Nuisance in October 1827—Peter S Ten Broeck (an Absentee) was the owner, and Peter G Stuyvesant the Attorney or Agent.

The Ordinance was not complied with and as the Agent could not be sued it so remained [247] until the Lots fell into the hands of John Shepard who was Ordinanced in December last he too could not fill them in; and from information it appears that he is on the Limits.

Under these circumstances the City Inspector presents an Ordinance to have the Lots filled in at the public Expence, and a Lien, as usual held on the property to return, with interest, the Expences thereof.

Respectfully Submitted

George Cuming City Inspector

The Report was approved, The Ordinance was passed and directed to be carried into effect under the direction of the Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No 1.	J Carbury	Owner	No 9	Bayard Street	A Privy
2.	J Adams	Do	11	Do	Do
3.	J Carbury	Agent	13	Do	Do
4.	Mr McLeod	owner	17	Do	Do
5.	H. S. Rowlandson	Lessee	30	Hamilton St	Do
6.	Wm Agent	Agent	36	Do	Do
7	M Livingston	owner	39	Do	Do
8.	Jno Ridden	Do		Hamilton & Catharine	Do
9	[248] R Williams	Do	108	Henry Street	Do
10.	M Jones	Do	38	James St	Do
11.	T Powell	Do	6	Lombardy St	Do
12.	R Duffy	Do	32	Do	Do
13.	M Livingston	Do	34	Do	Do
14.	P M P Durando	Do	10	Madison St	Do
15.	Pk Barry	Do	24	Do	Do
16.	M A Coster	Do	26	Do	Do
17.	Do	Occupt	26	Do	Do
18	Pk Barry	owner	28	Do	Do
19.	A Divver	Do	32	Do	Do
20.	M Jones	Do	37	Do	Do
21.	J Herrington	Do	53	Market St	Do
22.	P. J Nevius	Do	58	Roosevelt St	Do
23.	Do	Do	60	Do	Do
24	Sl St John	Do	72	Oliver St	Do
25	R Lawrence	Lessee	112	William St	Do
26.	Do	Do	114	Do	Do
27.	A Ashfield	owner	196	Do	Do
28.	E Hamilton	Do	226	Do	Do
29.	W S Hewlett	Occupt	226	Do	Do
30.	M Day	Trustee	245	Do	Do
31.	J Rhodes	owner		Norfolk Street	A Lot
32.	S P. & R Tenbrook	Do		Do	Do

George Cuming
City Inspector

Which were passed.

[249] The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for a Well & Pump in Sixth street near Fifth Avenue, which was passed and Abraham Dally Peter Ogilvie Junr and Samuel Purdy were appointed Assessors.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For regulating Twenty first Street from the Third to the Fifth Avenue and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For paving the Bowery from 4[th] to 13[th] Street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

The Counsel presented the following Report on subject of Deeds to David Codwise &c:

The Counsel to the Board respectfully Reports—That in pursuance of Resolutions heretofore passed, he prepared a Deed to D Codwise for a piece of Land formerly part of the Greenwich lane sold to Alfred S Pell for $3250 (M[r] Pell directing the conveyance to be made to M[r] Codwise) and that the said Deed was executed and delivered on the 27[th] of February last, and the consideration Money paid; and that the same has been paid to [250] the City Treasurer.

Also that on the 14[th] of March instant he prepared a Release to Edward Higgins one of the sureties of Henry W Peckwell late Collector of Taxes for the 2[d] Ward and that the same has been executed and delivered to him on his paying the sum of $1000, in Cash and giving his Notes at 12 Months for $500, endorsed by William F Higgins which money and note have been delivered to the City Treasurer.

Also that he has prepared the following Deeds viz[t]

To Frederick Marquand and Isaac M Dimond for a piece of ground on the South Easterly side of Nassau street between Maiden Lane and Liberty street sold to them for $2625.

To Alfred S Pell for a triangular piece of Land on the Easterly side of Herring street between Christopher and Amos street sold to him for $105.

To Leonard Deklyn for a Lot of Land at the corner of Troy street and Greenwich Lane sold to him for $1900.

To John F Adriance for another Lot of land on Troy street (adjoining that last above mentioned) sold to him for $450 And that the four last mentioned Deeds are ready for delivery to the respective purchasers

R Emmet

[251] Which was approved and the four last mentioned Deeds directed to be Recorded.

The Counsel in accordance with a Resolution of the Board of the last Meeting on the subject of the Report of the Police Committee on the Petition of Charles Pope presented the following Report which was

read and approved. The Report of the Police Committee was as follows.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Charles Pope of the Duane Street Church. Report

That Petitioner is prosecuted for a penalty of Two hundred & fifty Dollars for a Violation of the Interment Law—He took a Bond of Indemnity from Mr William M Carter. That Mr Carter has failed and the late Attorney of the Board sued Pope the Petitioner for interring *to* [the] Body of a Mrs Heyer

Carter was reputed in good Circumstances when Petitioner took his Bond, and no doubt Petitioner expected Carter would pay the penalty.

Having failed the Bond is good for nothing and the Sexton being very poor, and as usual has a large family to support.

Taking his poverty into consideration, and the opinion which he holds, sanctioned by the practice of the Board, that it would be all right if Mr Carter [252] paid the $250, and he supposed by his Bond he had secured that for the Corporation—Your Committee therefore recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that the suit against Petitioner be discontinued on payment of Costs.

Samuel Stevens
Jona Seymour
David Bryson
P. W Engs
Geo: D Strong

The Report of the Counsel was as follows.

The Counsel of the Board begs leave in pursuance of a Resolution passed at the last Meeting to Report his opinion in the case of Charles Pope who prays by his Petition to have a penalty incurred by him under the interment Law remitted.

The following appear to be the facts of this case.

The Petitioner on the 5th of October 1826 at the request of William M Carter interred the body of Mr Carters daughter in a vault belonging to the Methodist Church in Duane street of which he is Sexton, and to protect himself against the consequences in case he should be prosecuted, he took from Mr Carter a Bond of Indemnity in the same amount as the Law has made the penalty of the Offence. An action has been brought against the Petitioner, in which, [253] having no defence, Judgment either has been or will be obtained against him.

Owing to Mr Carters insolvency his bond is considered worth nothing and the Petitioner unable as he states to pay the penalty applies to have it remitted as an act of favour.

To ascertain what the effect of complying with the prayer of the Petitioner would be, upon the rights of the Corporation, it is necessary to refer to the Ordinance under which the penalty has been incurred. The language of the Ordinance is as follows " No person shall inter or deposit or cause or procure to be interred or deposited in any vault or tomb any dead body within the limits aforesaid under the penalty of Two hundred and fifty Dollars for every such Offence.

The following questions are presented.

1st Could the penalty be recovered and enforced under this Ordinance both from him who interred and from him who caused or procured to be interred the same dead body.

2d Who violated the Ordinance in the present case?

On the first question, I am satisfied that but one penalty could legally be exacted, the offence being in its nature single, however many persons might be concerned in the Commission of it, either by actually doing the thing prohibited or by causing or procuring it to be done. Therefore even if Mr Carter did within the meaning of the Ordinance, [254] cause or procure the body to be interred, the Corporation could not treat his so doing as a distinct Act which rendered him responsible whether any thing was got from Mr Pope or not. If Mr Pope should pay the penalty, I consider that Mr Carter (admitting for the sake of argument *the* [that] he also had offended against this Ordinance) would be discharged as between him and the Corporation, And if the Corporation should release or remit the penalty to Mr Pope or compound it with him, I should be unwilling to say that their claim against Mr Carter (If he ever had been liable) would not be affected thereby.

But I think that in this case no such difficulty could arise, for in answer to the second question above stated, I am of opinion that Mr Pope alone, on his own shewing violated the Ordinance.

The words of the Ordinance which seem to embrace Mr Carter are " shall cause or procure." These words clearly imply a power to commit the Offence, not a mere request or suggestion to another person to commit it. Had Mr Carter then that power? The facts of the case would shew the contrary—He induced the Sexton by persuasion and probably by the promise of indemnity to commit the Offence but he neither caused or procured it to be done according to the legal effect of those words in the Ordinance, for he had power to do neither. If the Sexton who had the [255] controul of

the premises and therefore had the power to commit or to prevent the commission of the Offence had ordered his grave digger or assistant to open the vault and deposit the body in it, he would then within the meaning of the Law have caused or procured it to be done. Mr Pope says in his Petition that he did it at the special instance and request of Mr Carter, and that alone, cannot as I conceive make Mr Carter subject to the penalty of the ordinance which does not contemplate mere inciting or advising to do the prohibeted Act, as the Offence to be punished.

With this view of the case I think the Corporation will not waive any right, except as against Pope himself by shewing him the lenity for which he asks. The bond of indemnity which Pope holds would be utterly useless to the Corporation if assigned to them, even if Carter were able to pay. It is for the indemnity of Pope alone, against any penalty or judgment which he may be obliged to pay and if no penalty be exacted from him he is not damnified and the event upon which the Bond is payable has not occurred.

Finally if the Board should be disposed according to the recommendation of the Police Committee not to exact this penalty from Mr Pope I am satisfied that the mode recommended by that Committee vizt by directing the suit against him to be discontinued [256] on payment of Costs, is the fittest one to adopt

All which is respectfully submitted

R Emmet

Which was approved and the Suit against Mr Pope directed to be discontinued.

A Report was received from the late Counsel M Ulshoeffer Esquire stating that on the 14th of March the Supreme Court confirmed the proceedings for the opening of Cedar street 8th 9th 10th 11th & 12th Streets which were read and Referred to the Street Committee.

The Comptroller presented the following Report of Release on commutation of Quit Rent to William S Watkins.

The Comptroller respectfully presents to the Board for their approbation a Release of Quit Rent on a Water Lot at Brannon Street (now Spring Street). It was granted to Joseph Watkins on the 20th February 1804. It was commuted on the 14th Inst by Murry Hoffman Esqr in behalf of the Heirs of Joseph Watkins deceased and the Indenture is approved by the Counsel of the Board

G N Bleecker Comptroller

Which was approved and the Release directed to be executed

[257] Alderman Woodruff made a motion that the Report on the subject of making the Office room of the City Register more secure against fires be now called up and considered. The question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative.

Upon motion of Alderman Lozier the Report of the Committee on Applications for Office on the Petition of David Board laid on the Table on the 26th of January last was called up, and read in the words following.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of David Board to be appointed a Measurer of Grain, have made enquiry concerning the Character & qualifications of the applicant and find him well Recommended they therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that David Board be and he is hereby appointed a Measurer of Grain in the place of Thomas Fardon resigned.

John Lozier
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted, and David Board was accordingly appointed a Measurer of Grain for the City & County of New York

[258] Alderman Palmer moved that the Report of the Police Committee on the subject of Hawkers & Pedlers be called up and considered, the same was agreed to and the Report was read as follows.

The Police Committee to whom the annexed Petition for the enactment of a Law against hawking and Pedling was Referred

Report

That having heard the Petitioners and considered the subject, your Committee are of opinion, that the existing Law of the State on this subject, so far as it relates to this City, wants amendment; and that the City of New York should be excluded from the operation of the State Law on this subject. The State Law authorizes the vending by Pedlers without License of all articles of domestic growth or manufacture, and by procuring a License from the State of all articles of foreign manufacture:

Whatever may be the policy or necessity of permitting Hawking and Pedling in the country, your Committee are of opinion, that no such policy or necessity exists as to the City.

The principal objections to the system as applicable to the City (so far as the public is concerned) are, that it affords the individuals

[259] engaged in this traffic an opportunity to insinuate themselves into the entries and habitations of our citizens, thus presenting to them the means of Committing a great number of petty larcenies, and thus preparing them for the commission of still greater crimes; and the next objection, and which is perhaps the most serious of all the objections is, that (as your Committee are informed and led to believe) a considerable part of the articles sold in this manner are stolen, and that no manner is so effectual to dispose of Stolen Articles, without the risk of detection, as to use the services of grown persons or children to dispose of them in the streets, or in the kitchens or parlours of our citizens. The person whose store has been robbed, or his entry rifled, has no place, as the bussiness is now carried on, where he can go to find his property.

Your Committee see no good resulting to the City by permitting the traffic referred to in any shape, and therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved, that the Counsel of the Board prepare a Memorial and Law for the Legislature, for the prevention of Hawking and Pedling in the City of New York, of all articles whether of foreign or domestic manufactures, and that the Mayor execute said Memorial in the recess of the Board.

[260] Samuel Stevens
David Bryson
George D Strong
Jonathan Seymour
P. W Engs

After some discussion the Report was adopted and the Counsel was directed to Report a Memorial to the Legislature and a Bill for enactment correspondent therewith.

Alderman Peters moved that the Resolution presented by him on the 6th of October last for assessing the expences of Public Cisterns on the Wards be now called up which was agreed to. The Resolution was read in the words following.

Resolved that hereafter the Annual Tax Laws applied for by this Corporation shall embrace the expense of the building of all public Cisterns made or erected in this City since the first day of May last so as to add annually the expence upon each Ward for the Cisterns erected therein and that no proceedings shall hereafter be had to assess the expence upon the neighbourhood of any public Cisterns ordered since the above period, or to be hereafter ordered.

Mr Engs presented the following as [261] a substitute which was accepted by Alderman Peters and was as follows "Resolved that the Public Cisterns which have not been Assessed be paid for out of the Public Treasury" After considerable discussion the Question was taken on agreeing to the Resolution proposed by Mr Engs and passed in the Negative.

A Division having been called by Alderman Peters the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Alderman Peters Meserole Mr Cowan Engs 4

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra Mott Stevens I Brown Rogers Lozier Coe B M Brown Dodge Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Bryson Strong Wells Jeremiah Pinckney Cooper Lovett 23

[262] The Question was then taken on the original Resolution when a Division having been called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Ald Lozier Peters Palmer Mr Strong Wells Jeremiah 6

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Cebra Mott Stevens I Brown Rogers Coe B M Brown Messerole Dodge Lee Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Bryson Cowan Pinckney Cooper Lovett Engs 21. So it passed in the Negative.

[263] Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolution in relation to presenting the Freedom of the City to the Honorable Martin Van Beuren

Whereas The great and fundamental principle of the Compact forming the Union of these United States is, that the individual members thereof when called on, shall be ever ready to lend their utmost aid either in War, or in Council, in support of these sacred principles of civil liberty which we enjoy, and hope & believe it is our high destiny in this happy land to continue to enjoy. Impressed with a due sense of this truth The Common Council of the City of New York, while they deeply deplore the necessity which calls on the State to surrender to the National Councils one of her brightest sons, cannot but view with pride and exultation the patriotism and Public Spirit which has actuated him in the acceptance of those arduous and responsible duties for the public good; and entertaining as we do the highest regard, not only for the pure republican principles which have uniformly marked the political course of their fellow citizen the Honorable Martin Van Beuren, they deem the present moment of their seperation from him a proper occasion for the expression of these sentiments of respect and attachment Therefore Resolved That a

Copy hereof together with the fredom of the City be presented to the Honorable Martin Van Beuren as a testimony of their respect and [264] esteem which the people of the City of New York entertain for his private worth and public services

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor do carry the foregoing Resolution into effect

On being read Alderman Palmer moved that the same be laid on the Table. The question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative— The question was then taken on the Resolution and was carried in the Affirmative.

Mr Strong moved that the Report of the Committee on Applications to the Legislature to amend the Law relating to the Police and to encrease the number of Marshall[s] be now called up. The question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative.

Alderman Peters moved that the Report of The Finance Committee on the Remonstrance of Simmons Ross and others against the Assessment for Bulkhead at Spring Street be now called up which was agreed to—The Report was read in the words following

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the Petition and Remonstrance of P Simmons Azariah Ross and others owners of property, and residents in the neighbourhood of [265] the lower end of Spring street, against the Assessment for building a Bulkhead on the Westerly side of West street across the Basin at the foot of Spring Street and filling up behind the same respectfully

Report

That after a careful examination of this subject they find that the work for which this Assessment was made has been done under and by virtue of the 267th section of the Act entitled "An Act to reduce several Laws relating particularly to the City of New York into one Act" by which section the Mayor Aldermen and Common[a]l[t]y, are invested with power and authority to make and pass such by Laws and ordinances as they shall from time to time deem necessary and proper; among other things "for filling up altering and amending, of all public Slip[s] in the said City at such times and in such manner as they may deem proper." And that the Assessment for the said work, which is now objected to has been made under and by virtue of the 269th Section of the same Act, which directs, that in all cases where the said by-laws or ordinances shall require any thing to be done in relation to the filling up, altering or amending, any of the public Slips in the said City, the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council

convened shall cause the expense of such work to be estimated and assessed in the same manner as is [266] directed in and by the said Act with respect to the paving or regulating the public Streets in the said City.

By the 175th Section of the said Act (which section relates to paving and regulating Streets) it is expressly declared that the Estimate and Assessment authorized by such section to be made shall be certified in writing to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council convened, and being ratified by the said Council, shall be binding and conclusive upon the owners and occupants of the Lots assessed respectively and shall be a lien or charge on such Lots.

The above being as the Committee believe the only parts of any law of this State applicable to this subject, they would now advert to so much of one of the Ordinances of this Board as creates a duty in relation to assessments similar to the one in question.

By the 4th Section of the "Law to regulate the Collection of Assessments" passed by the Common Council on the 30th April 1827, it is made the duty of the Street Commissioner on the completion of any Assessment, the amount of which shall exceed Fifty dollars to give notice in the newspapers employed by the Corporation that the same [is] complete, and will remain open at his Office for the inspection of all concerned therein Ten days at the expiration [267] of which it will be presented to the Board for confirmation which duty was superadded by this Board to those imposed by the Act of the Legislature for the purpose equally wise and just both of preventing actual surprize upon parties interested in such assessments and of affording a sufficient answer to any allegation or pretence thereof which might otherwise be urged by persons so situated.

The Committee find the facts in this case to be, that the said Assessment was completed and certified in writing to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty on the 3d of December 1828 and that public notice having been duly given, in the manner prescribed by the above section of the Ordinance above referred to, it was duly confirmed, and a Collector appointed by this Board on the 12th day of January last.

Upon these facts and under the Law of the State governing this case, the Committee, after full deliberation and advice on the subject, have come to the conclusion, that whatever grounds for objection against this Assessment may exist either on the score of misconception of the Law, or of inequitable apportionment of the expense it is now too late for this Board to consider or attempt to rectify the same.

In coming to this result, the Committee have been influenced by the following considerations.

[268] They conceive that the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty, derive all their authority, in relation to assessments of this nature from those parts of the Act of the Legislature already referred to, and that by the said Act the[y] have specific and definite duties prescribed for them to perform in the character of Commissioners, and certain but limited powers conferred upon them in that Character for the performance of those duties. The question then at once presents itself whether, after such an Assessment has been once regularly ratified and confirmed by the Mayor Alderman and Commonalty in Common Council convened, it remains within the scope of the authority delegated to them by the Statute to reconsider it, and by so doing to abrogate the very act of ratification which they have already done in pursuance of the duty literally imposed upon them by that statute. It would be a sufficient answer to this question to say that the statute has clothed them in terms with no such powers of reconsidering and unconfirming an Assessment: but the Statute itself affords a more distinct, and as it appears to the Committee a conclusive answer to the question. It declares in express terms that being so ratified the Assessment shall be binding and conclusive.

The Committee therefore entertain a [269] decided opinion that so far as respects granting any relief to the Remonstrants in the present instance the power of this Board is spent and they have reason to believe that in the interpretation of the words of the Statute which has impressed them with this conviction they are fully sustained by the decisions of the Supreme Court of this State.

The Committee refrain from expressing any opinion as to the merits or demerits of this Assessment both because they have formed none, and because, in the view which they have taken of this subject, it would be useless, if not improper, for them so to do. They feel bound however, to state, that the parties who feel themselves aggrieved thereby appeared before them, by eminent counsel, who raised several grave questions growing out of or connected with their rights in this matter which the Committee have no Doubt are worthy of much consideration, and which should have received such from them, if it had not been, in their judgment entirely precluded by the preliminary difficulty which they have made the basis of this their Report

The Committee beg leave therefore to submit the following Resolution for the adoption of the Board.

Resolved that the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of this City in

Common Council convened, have no power by Law to reconsider the Assessment for building a Bulk head on the Westerly side of West street [270] across the Basin at the foot of Spring Street and filling up behind the same, or to grant any relief to the Petitioners who have remonstrated against the said Assessment.

W Seaman
G. Lee
William W Mott
David Rogers
John R Peters.

The Remonstrance of Simmons, Ross and others was then read—The question was then taken on adopting the Report and Resolution presented by the Committee, and the same was carried in the Affirmative.

Mr Seaman presented the following Resolutions which were adopted.

Resolved that the front ground on West street between Christopher Street and Amos street to the depth of Thirty feet be and the same is hereby reserved for the purpose of erecting a Public Market House thereon.

Resolved that a Street be and the same is hereby directed to be opened and established in the rear of the said Market ground to be fifty feet wide and to extend from Christopher street to Amos street running parallel with West street [271] Thirty feet from the same, and the said street be called Wehawken street.

Resolved that the grounds belonging to the Corporation fronting on Christopher West and Barrow streets be sold with the State Prison grounds under the direction of the Finance Committee.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Actt 9th Inst	$37.758.67
Recd for Tax of 1828	40.500.
" Tax of 1827 2d Ward	1.000.
" Streets	3.800.76
" Rents	2.345.15
" Commutation of Alien Passengers	767.50
" Justices Courts	519.89
" Wells & Pumps	172.58
" Tavren Licences	170.
" Docks & Slips	150.
" Uncurrent Bank notes exchanged	108.95
" Mayoralty fees	64.
" Fines of Sheriff	15.12
	$87.372.62

37 Accounts audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Field " 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.
[272] Wm S Smith Collector City Revenue 1 Qr Salary 22d Inst &c	311.50
N Dean Clerk of City & County sundry charges advertising &c	222.25
J Bremner Clerk Cath Market 1 Mo 1 March	56.
J. P. Dietrich Auction fees on 4 Stands Grand St Market &c	11.
Uzziah Wenman Chief Engineer 1 Qr Salary 8 March	200.
F Seely & J G Finn Sunday service 4th Ward 13 days each to 31st Jany	39.
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 22d Inst	129.15
Morgan & Waring do	113.48
Robert Provoost glazing & painting Gas Lamps	64.87
John J Astor Award opening 19th Street fm 6th to 8th Avenue	570.
Walter Hunt do Do Do	432.
J W Kearney & W McFarland do Do	350.
Jesse Frazer Awd openg 20th St fm 6th to 8th Avenue	501.
Clement C Moore Do Do Do	500.
John Rogers Do Do Do	309.
George P Rogers Do Do Do	196.
John Tonnelle do 17th Street fm 6th Avenue to Fitz Roy Road	268.
Saml Boyd Actt reg & pavg 2d Street from Avenue B to North St	600.
S Fargay Actt repavg South St fm Broad to White Hall St & Moore fm Front to South St	450.
T Cumings Actt reg & pav Broadway fm 10th to 13th Street	400.
S Fargay Actt reg & pavg Mangin fm Broome to Delancy St	250.
O McCabe Actt reg & pav Avenue D fm North to near 8th St	200.
T Cumings bal reg & pavg Christopher fm Asylum St to Greenwich Lane	178.66
Jas Mehan Actt repavg Pump St fm Bowery to Ludlow St.	140.
P Smith Actt reg & pavg Mott fm Houston to Bleecker St.	120.
H Cochran bal repavg Duane fm Greenwich to Washington St	28.46
[273] Abm Storms 1st & 2d payt building Bulk head front of Washington Market	2821.
R Graves St Comr for H Miner Actt reducing 3d Avenue fm 91st Street to Bensons Creek	1000.
J Gallagher Jr bal on Well Wooster between Spring & Prince St	20.26

J. P. Roome	Superdt of Repairs	Docks & Slips.....	1589.	
J. P. Roome	do	Fire Dept.....	1000.	
J. P. Roome	do	Repairs	980.	
J. P Roome	do	Pumps	340.	
J. P. Roome	do	Lamps	250.	17.916.63
			Balance	$69.455.99

The Board then adjourned to meet on Monday next the 30th Inst at 5 OClock P. M

[274] In Common Council March 30th 1829

(Adjourned Meeting)

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
John Lozier	George D Strong
William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	James N Wells
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
Jeremiah Dodge	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	Philip W Engs
Gideon Lee	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The Mayor proposed to take up the unfinished business of the last Meeting which was agreed to.

[275] Alderman Lozier presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire and Report on the expediency of opening Sixteenth street from the Bloomingdale Road to the Third Avenue

Alderman Rogers presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that hereafter the Public Administrator be requested to pay to the City Chamberlain as soon as received all monies belonging to intestates, and that when legal claims are made for such estates, said claims be made to this Common Council, and that Warrants for pay-

ment be granted in the usual manner. And as at all times large sums of money come into the hands of said Public Administrator.

Resolved that the Bank in which these sums may be deposited, allow the same rate of interest as is now allowed on the sinking Fund of this City.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was read and [276] referred to the Law Committee with powers.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Law Committee with powers

Resolved that application be made to the Legislature for a Law authorising the Common Council to make regulations from time to time for the temporary disposition of the property and effects of intestates in cases, where the administration thereof belong to the public administrator, and prior to the time limited by Law for the avails being paid into the City Treasury and also to authorise the Common Council to regulate the Compensation and provide for auditing the Accounts of the Public Administrator—But that nothing contained in said Law shall impair the existing responsibility of the Corporation for the due administration of such property or effects or authorise the allowance of a larger commission to the Public Administrator than now prescribed by Law—And that the Counsel prepare the draught of a Law and Memorial to carry this Resolution into effect and that the same be authenticated in the recess of the Board.

[277] Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolutions which was read and referred to the Market Committee with powers.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be instructed under the direction of the Market Committee to fill up the grounds within the precints of Clinton Market.

Resolved that the side walks around said Market and Area be flagged with blue Stone And that the Street Commissioner under direction of the Market Committee issue proposals for the same.

Mr Roosevelt presented a Resolution directing the Comptroller to report to the Board all defaulters in payments of money due the Corporation which was read and laid on the Table.

Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Application to the Legislature

Resolved that the Committee on Applications to the Legislature enquire into the expediency of an application for liberty to appropriate such Docks & Slips as the Corporation may think proper for the exclusive use of Steam Boats.

Alderman Cebra presented the [278] following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that it be referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the First ward and the Street Commissioner (if upon enquiry they shall deem it expedient) to open a Well and place a Pump in some suitable spot between Beaver Lane and the Bowling Green.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 6th Ward presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices and Repairs.

Resolved that the Committee on Lands and Places cause measures to be taken for the removal of the present fences and other incumbrances on the ground in front of the Institution on Chamber Street, and for the continuation of the Iron fence from the point where it now terminates on that Street to the Rotunda.

Alderman Coe presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire and Report on the expediency of appointing a Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office.

[279] Alderman I Brown presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the Street Committee be requested to cause Front street from Peck Slip to Dover Street to be repaved including the Intersection.

Alderman Lozier presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street and Finance Committees.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street and Finance Committees to examine and Report on a plan of laying out leasing or disposing of the grounds Bounded by Chatham street Tryon Row and the Park— As will be most beneficial for the public good, and produce the greatest Revenue from a Plot of ground now laying entirely useless.

Mr Strong presented the following Resolution which was read and adopted.

Resolved that the Mayor be authorized by and with the advice and consent of the Alderman and Assistant of each Ward to appoint one or more prudent and discreet persons to be called Sunday Officers whose duty it shall be to Assist the Street Inspector of the Ward to which he or they are assigned in enforcing the Ordinances for the due [280] observance of the first day of the Week commonly called Sunday, and each and every person so appointed shall receive a compensation for his or their services in a sum not exceeding One dollar

and fifty cents per day provided that not more than three persons shall be appointed for any one Ward and provided that no person as before mentioned shall be assigned to this duty between the first day of January and the first day of April in any one year.

Mr Roosevelt presented the draft of an Act to be presented to the Legislature for enactment and a Resolution which were read and the Resolution adopted.

An Act in relation to the Criminal Courts in the State of New York.

The People of the State of New York represented in the Senate and Assembly do enact as follows.

§1. It shall and may be lawful for the Common Council of the City of New York, to assign such place in the said City, other than the City Hall, as may to them seem most conducive to the public convenience for the holding of the Courts of General Sessions, of Special Sessions and of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery to be held in and for the said City, provided that such alteration of the [281] place of holding said Court, shall before the same takes effect be duly notified in one or more of the public papers printed in the said City for the period of not less than four weeks.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board do cause the foregoing draft of a Law to be forwarded to the Legislature accompanied by a suitable Memorial to be authenticated in the recess of the Common Council praying for the passage thereof.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Finance Committee to Report upon the expediency of selling the Vacant Lots belonging to the Corporation at the foot of Canal Street also at the foot of Duane Street and at the Albany Basin.

Alderman Peters presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that it be recommended to the Finance Committee to let to Mr Robineau the use of a part of the end of the Public Pier at the foot of Warren street for his bathing establishment at One dollar per day to be paid to the Lessee of the District

[282] By order of the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

John R Peters Chairman.

Alderman Rogers presented the following Resolutions which were adopted and the Superintendant of Repairs directed to carry the same into effect.

Resolved that the Houses in Vestry street be numbered from Canal street to the Hudson River

Resolved that the Houses in Desbrosses street be numbered from Hudson street to the River.

Alderman Mott presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Aldermen and Assistants of the 2d & 4th Wards.

Resolved that the Superintendent of Repairs be instructed to renumber Front Street East of Fulton street.

Alderman Rogers presented the following Resolution which was read, and together with all Resolutions heretofore presented on the same subject were referred to the Law Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Law Committee to ascertain whether the Common Council have the power of calling a Convention to revise the present form of our City Government [283] and to recommend to the Legislature such alterations therein as the public good may require and that the Committee, in case they shall be of opinion that the Common Council have such power, Report an Ordinance for that purpose.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Police Committee to Report any and if any what measures may be adopted by the Common Council in conformity with the first Section of "an Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to lay a duty on strong liquors, and for regulating Inns and Tavrens" passed April 10. 1824 which may be an improvement upon the present mode of granting such Licences.

Alderman Stevens presented the following Resolution which was adopted, Afterward on Motion reconsidered and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature with powers.

Resolved that a Law and Memorial be forwarded to the Legislature in the recess of the Board, authorising the Corporation to designate the Wharves and Slips at which Steam Boats may be exclusively accommodated.

[284] Mr Lovett presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to Report on the necessity of building Piers at the foot of Delancy street.

Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Special Committee on Gas.

Resolved that it be referred to the Gas Committee to have Broad street lighted with Gas.

Mr Cowan presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street and Finance Committees.

Resolved that the Finance and Street Committees be authorised to enquire of the Trustees of the Public School Society and Report to this Board the terms and conditions upon which they will relinquish their claim to the building situate at the corner of Tryon Row and Chatham Street.

Alderman Peters presented the [285] following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to Report upon the expediency of repaving the whole or part of Front street from Conties Slip to Fly Market Street.

Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature to enquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature, during the present Session for the passage of an Act to fix the rate of ferriage for passengers on board Steam Boats at the different ferries between this City and Kings County at the same Rate as is now allowed by Law to be charged at the Fulton street Ferry.

Upon Motion of Alderman Lee the Law to amend the Law for prevention of Fires was called up and considered, and after some discussion was referred back to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature, with direction to print the original Law and the amendments proposed—Mr Roosevelt presented an Additional Section, to prevent any Steam Engine being kept in operation within a [286] certain distance of any Street which was referred to the same Committee to be printed with the above mentioned Law.

A Memorial of Richard Willcox on the subject of securing Buildings from Fire was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A Petition of John C Morrison and others owners of property on Fitzroy Road from 13th Street to Greenwich Street for permission to pave the same under the direction of any Officer under the Common Council at their own expense was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of Clark & Tallmadge and others against the continuance of West Street across the Albany Basin from Cedar to

Albany streets was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of John Frazier to have an error in his Assessment Corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Aaron Sandford [287] praying to have an error in his Assessment corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Tobias Boudinot for the grant of Stall N° 8 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the Constables & Marshalls of the City praying for some further compensation for the duties they have to perform was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Henry Abell to be relieved from the payment of a personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Cornelius Chatterton praying to be transferred from the 20th to the 14th District as Inspector of Fire Wood was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Bill was presented from Randolph Brant for extra Mason work done on Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market and Finance Committees

A Petition of Jonas Wood for the [288] Office of Inspector of Lime or any other Office that he may be competent to fill was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Memorial of the Executors &c of the late John Scudder relative to the removal of the Museum was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of John & Richard Fisher Manufacturers of Glass in the 12th Ward praying the passage of an Ordinance declaring that Fire wood purchased by the Cargo for Manufactoring purposes shall not be subject to Inspection was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Jacob Pessinger for some remuneration for damage done to his stand in Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Clement C Moore and a number of others praying for the extension of the Lamp and Watch Districts was read and referred to the Lamp and Watch Committees.

A Petition of Howard A Simmons [289] Lessee of the 4th District of the Public Wharves &c praying for some remuneration for damages sustained in the extension of West street across Washington Market Slip was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial of a number of Inhabitants of the 12th Ward praying that the said Ward may be exempt from the operation of the Ordinance relative to Dogs &c was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Thomas R Ludlam and a number of Others for a Well & Pump in Willet Street near Grand street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 13th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Daniel Parker for the Office of Clerk in the Street Commissioners Office was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

The Board then Adjourned to Monday the 6th April (the regular meeting) at 5 OClock P. M

[290] In Common Council April 6. 1829

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
John Yates Cebra	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
David Rogers	Henry Arcularius
John Lozier	George D Strong
William S Coe	William Seaman
Benjamin M Brown	William W Cowan
John R Peters	James N Wells
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
Jeremiah Dodge	Peter Pinckney
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Jeremiah Pearson to be appointed a Weighmaster was read and Laid on the Table.

[291] A Petition of Henry Latham for Stall N° 4 Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Charles Kent for Stall N° 45 Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Lewis Drake praying to be appointed an Inspector of Lime was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of John F Rudolph for the remission of a part of his

Taxes on personal property was read and referred to Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Mrs Frances Gallagher widow of the late Benjamin Gallagher for permission to assign a Lease of Lot N° 130 in the Fourth Ward, Bounded in front on William Street, was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers.

A Memorial of a number of persons praying that the Common Council will cause [292] the Roads leading from the City Hall to Harlem to be regulated was read and referred to the Road Committee.

A Memorial of about 2400 Persons praying that the Buildings at the Five Points may be removed, and also suggesting the propriety of locating the Bridewell & Police Office at that place was read and referred to the Jail & Bridewell and Police Committee.

A Petition of Alfred Smith for Stall N° 58 Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Frazee Conett praying to be appointed a Keeper of the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Richard Duryea Charles H Hall and others to have the name of Columbia Lane altered to that of Jersey street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the owners of property on West Street between Spring Street & Charlton Street [293] for an additional Pier between the said Streets was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Remonstrance from Isaac B Torboss an Inspector of Fire Wood against the Petition of Messrs John & Richard Fisher praying to be allowed to purchase Firewood for Manufactoring purposes without having the same Inspected was read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of owners of property that Seventh street be filled in and regulated from Avenue D to Lewis Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of Jacobus Dyckman and others praying to have the Eighth Avenue regulated and completed was read and referred to the Road Committee

A Petition of Francis Cooper & others to have the Washington Square closed until the Grass is grown was read and referred to th Committee on Lands & Places.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen D Beekman [294] & George C Talmadge executors of Eliza-

beth Talmadge deceased praying that a Water Grant may be made to J. J. Astor of ground lying between 14th & 15th Streets on the Hudson River presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen D Beekman and George Clinton Tallmadge praying that a certain Water Grant may be made to John Jacob Astor

Respectfully Report

That they find on examination that the Petitioners as Executors of the Will of Mrs Elizabeth Tallmadge have recently sold to John Jacob Astor four Lots of ground fronting on the Hudson River being the South half of a Block lying between 14th & 15th Streets together with the pre-emptive right of the Estate which they represent to the Grant now applied for. The Committee being satisfied of the title of the parties see no objection to complying with the application, and they recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Grant to John Jacob Astor on the usual terms according to the prayer of the said petition—And that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during [295] the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
William W Mott
David Rogers
John R Peters
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen Whitney and others relative to alltering the line of West street from Cedar to Marketfield street presented the following Report.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen Whitney and others relative to alterring the line of West Street between Cedar street and Marketfield Street

Report

That according to the plan which has been agreed on by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty for the formation and regulation of West Street, the Easterly line thereof would be distant from the Westerly line of Washington Street One hundred and eighty feet at the foot of Cedar street, and One hundred and twenty feet at the foot of Marketfield Street; And it is proposed by the Petitioners that the

said plan should be altered [296] so as to have the line of West street run parallel with the line of Washington street from the foot of Cedar street, to effect which, West street must be made to extend into the River at the termination thereof near the Battery, Sixty [feet] further than is contemplated by the present plan.

The Committee having heard the Petitioners on this subject, and having fully considered the same are of opinion that whenever West street shall be made and regulated South of Cedar street it would be expedient to run it according to the direction proposed by the Petitioners.

They would not however be understood as recommending that such extension of the line of West street, should be undertaken at this or any particular period (the time when it would be advisable to form and regulate said Street being as they conceive a distinct question) but merely that Measures should be taken to obtain the requisite power to make such alteration in the plan for the said Street—They beg leave therefore to submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Memorial and Act to be forwarded to the Legislature for the passage of such Law as may be necessary to enable the Corporation to alter the line of West street in [297] the manner above mentioned and that such Memorial be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

John R Peters
David Rogers
John Lovett
Isaac Brown
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the several Petitions and Resolutions relative to the erection of Piers &c on the North River presented a Report which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed On Motion of Alderman Peters the subject was made the Order of the day for the next regular Meeting

The Alderman and Assistant of the 7th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in Lombardy street near Clinton street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Alderman and Assistant of the 7th Ward and Street Com-

missioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump [298] in Lombardy street near Clinton street.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be Dug and built and a Pump erected therein in Lombardy street near Clinton street

William S Coe
W Seaman
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in Washington street near Canal Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Fifth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in Washington street near Canal Street

Respectfully Report

That in the opinion of your Committee the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following resolution

Resolved that a Well be dug [299] and built and a pump erected therein in Washington Street near Canal street

David Rogers
Henry Arcularius
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel James for permission to erect a Building adjoining the Ferry at the foot of Walnut Street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Ferry Committee adopting the language of Petitioner Respectfully

Report

That the facts therein stated are true, and that Public convenience

requires an additional building—They respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of petitioner be granted under the direction of the Alderman and Assistant of the Seventh Ward and the Ferry Committee, conforming in all things to the Fire Laws

John Yates Cebra
Jeremiah Dodge
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[300] The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Henry F Blackwell relative to the extension of the Lease of the Hell Gate Ferry presented a Report which was read, Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions relative to the Williamsburgh Ferry Company presented a Report which was read Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the subject of calling a City convention to take into consideration the propriety of amending the present Organization of the City Government presented a Report which was read, laid on the Table, and directed to be printed for the use of the Members

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was also read and directed to be printed.

Resolved that the Electors of this City be invited to meet in the different Wards in the course of the Month of May ensuing to confer on the propriety of changing the present form of the City Government.

[301] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Sterling Company for relief from Tax on their Capital Stock presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of the Sterling Company for relief from Tax on their Capital Stock

Respectfully Report

That by a Law of the State such Stock Companies as wish to be relieved from Tax must apply to the Board of Supervisors on the day of their Annual Meeting. This has not been done.

They therefore offer the following Resolution for consideration.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition of the Sterling Company

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Frazee to be relieved from an Error in his Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

[302] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Frazee of the 9[th] Ward for reduction of Tax.

Respectfully Report

That the wife of the Petitioner appeared before your Committee and stated that her husband was not able nor had he been for the last year to attend to any bussiness and that in consequence of such inability he did not call on the Assessors at the time prescribed by the Rule of the Common Council. This statement was confirmed by the Honorable the Alderman of the Ninth Ward.

The Assessors Certificate of erroneous Assessment is annexed hereto. Your Committee deem this a Case that comes within the Rule prescribed, and therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Tax of John Frazee of the 9[th] Ward be reduced from the amount on Two thousand dollars to an Amount on Five hundred Dollars

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[303] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William Pearsall J[r] to be relieved from Tax presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Peti-

tion of William Pearsall Jr for relief from personal Tax in the 8th Ward

Respectfully Report.

That Petitioner by his own showing, not coming within the rule prescribed by the Common Council relief cannot be granted to him

They offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
Jona Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Aaron Sandford praying for relief from Tax presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Aaron Sandford [304] for relief from personal Tax in the 14th Ward

Respectfully Report.

That the Petitioner appeared before your Committee and by his own testimony it appeared that he does not come within the rule prescribed, and therefore cannot be relieved

The following Resolution is therefore submitted for Consideration.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
Jona Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the name of Beaver Lane altered to that of Morris Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the owners of property on Beaver Lane requesting that the name of that

Street may be changed to that of "Morris street" Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion the request of [305] the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that it is expedient and proper that the name of Beaver Lane be changed to that of "Morris Street" and that hereafter it be known and distinguished by that name

John Lozier
John R Peters
Jeremiah Dodge
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Report of the late Counsel (M Ulshoeffer) relative to the confirmation of the Supreme Court of the Report of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on opening and continuing Cedar street 8th 9th 10th 11th & 12th Streets presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Report of the late Counsel to this Board setting forth that the Supreme Court had confirmed the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the opening and continuing Cedar street Eighth street Ninth street Tenth street Eleventh street and Twelfth street and that it remains with this Board to determine when the opening of the [306] said Streets shall be carried into effect, On all which your Committee submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Streets contained in the foregoing Report be opened on the first day of May next, and the buildings and incumbrances on them respectively be removed therefrom by the first day of June then next following.

John Lozier
John R Peters
Jeremiah Dodge
William S Coe
Thomas T Woodruff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and Jameson Cox was appointed the Collector of the Assessment for opening Cedar street & Gideon Ostrander was appointed the Collector of the Assessment for opening 8th 9th 10th 11th & 12th Streets.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of persons praying to have the name of Herring street altered to that of Bleecker Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the owners of property on Herring Street setting forth that they experience [307] much inconvenience in consequence of having different names to what in fact is but a continuation of one Street and that such is the case with Bleecker and Herring Streets—After having duly considered the subject, Your Committee are of the opinion that the public as well as individual convenience would seem to justify the granting of the request of the Petitioners

And accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street now Known as Herring Street be changed to that of Bleecker Street and that by that name it be hereafter known and distinguished and that it be marked and numbered accordingly.

John Lozier
John R Peters
Jeremiah Dodge
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of appointing a Clerk for the Street Commissioners Office presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table for further consideration.

The Street and Road Committees to whom was referred the Petitions to have 79th Street [308] worked between the 3d Avenue and the East River presented a Report which was read and laid on the table for further consideration.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the several Petitions for the appointment of City Weigher presented the following Report.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petition of S. D. Southmayd to be appointed a City Weigher have made particular enquiry concerning the Character and Qualifications of the Petitioner to perform the duties of the Office and find him well recommended.

They therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that S D Southmayd be and he is hereby appointed a City Weigher in the place of Caleb Coggeshall Resigned.

John Lozier
John R Peters
William S Coe

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and it was Resolved that S D Southmayd be and he is hereby appointed one of the City Weighers.

[309] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Inhabitants in the vicinity of Burnt Mill Point complaining of the Butchers throwing the Offals of their Slaughter Houses into the River presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Inhabitants residing near Burnt Mill Point complaining of the Butchers throwing the Offals of their Slaughter Houses into the River to their annoyance Report

That it appears, that there is ample provision in the Corporation Ordinances requiring the Butchers either to carry the Offals of their yards so high up as to incommode no one, or to transport them into the Stream—Your Committee recommend the enforcement of the Laws on the subject to the Alderman and Assistant, and Inspector of the Eleventh Ward

Samuel *Storms* [Stevens]
Jon[a] Seymour
David Bryson
P W Engs
George D Strong

Which was approved

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the 12[th] Ward exempted [310] from the operation of the Law relating to Dogs presented a Report which was referred back to the Committee.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John & Richard Fisher to have Firewood purchased for the use of their Glass Factory exempted from Inspection presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John & Richard Fisher, to have their Glass Manufactory exempted from the limits where Wood is required to be Inspected.

Report

The Petitioners Wood is landed on their own premises, always bought by the Cord & Carted by themselves.

The Committee offer the following Resolution Resolved that until further Ordinance of the Board, the Wood landed on Petitioners Wharf & purchased for their own use shall be exempted from Inspection

Samuel Stevens
Jon[a] Seymour
David Bryson
P. W Engs
Geo: D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[311] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Rachel Zuntz praying to be relieved from a penalty incurred under the Interment Law presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Rachel Zuntz to be relieved from a penalty for interring the remains of her son within the prescribed limits.

Report

That the Deceased and his family belonged to the persuasion or sect of Jews—That they have but two Burial Grounds; one within the prescribed Limits, and one in the Ninth Ward.

That it satisfactorily appears, that it was intended to have buried the deceased in the Burying Ground without the Limits: And that the Grave diggers went out in the morning of the day of the funeral to open the Grave there. The funeral was to have taken place at 10 OClock, but the heavy rains had overflown the burying ground at Greenwich so as to make it next to impossible to dig the grave. The hour of the Funeral had in consequence to be changed and they were obliged to dig the Grave in some other place. The Burying Ground within the prescribed Limits was the only other place consecrated according to the rites and forms [312] of the Religious sect of which the deceased was a Member, under such circumstances the Law was Violated. The Committee recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Penalty referred to in the above case be remitted

Samuel Stevens
Jonathan Seymour
David Bryson
P. W Engs
Geo: D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

The Road Committee presented a Report relative to working the 8th Avenue which was read and Laid on the Table.

The Aldermen and Assistants of the 2d & 4th Wards to whom it was referred to enquire into the expediency of renumbering Front street East of Fulton street presented the following Report

The Alderman and Assistants of the Second and Fourth Wards to whom it was referred to inquire into the expediency of renumbering Front street East of Fulton.

Report that the block East of Fulton street is numbered the same as that [313] West of the same, but can be renumbered without changing any other than the numbers between Fulton and Beekman streets and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be directed to renumber the buildings in Front Street between Fulton and Beekman streets according to the above Report

Respectfully submitted

William W Mott
Isaac Brown
David Bryson
Jona Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were accepted and appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine Co
No 9
Resignations

	John Miller	Abraham Warner	Time Expired
	John H S Ball	Henry Ward & Charles Platt	Time Expired
	Michael McKay	David Anderson	Resigned
	Joseph Stickler	James Frye	Resigned
	William Gale	William V Smith	Resigned
[314]	Peter Gordon	Walter J Heyer	Resigned
	Richard S Roome	John Hooghkirk	Resigned
	Nicholas Roome	William W Wilkins	Resigned
	William Savage	Ward Leete	Resigned
	John F Ferry &	Edward Watson	Resigned
	John J Leffords		Expelled for neglect of Duty

N° 11

John M^cDougall Baker 111 Cherry Street
V^c John M^cNiesh Exempt on Act^t [of Injuries rec^d at a Fire]

Resignations

States N Mead — Time Expired
Joseph Jameson — Appointed a Warden
Thomas Smith, Hugh W Harroll
Aaron Hallock, Frederick Hadley
Lawrence Vreeland, Henry B Walker — Resigned
Sylvester Spencer — Exempt on Act^t of Injuries rec^d at a Fire

N° 14

Resignations

Jacob Anthony — Appointed Engineer
William Wallace — Appointed Fire Warden
John Ridley, John Drake — Time Expired
Thomas B Whitlock J^r, James Whitlock
Thomas Wallace, Levi Dederer
Andrew Wallace, Theodore Buddington — Resigned

[315] N° 18

Sylvester H Jones Carpenter 21 Cornelia S^t
V^c Hezekiah Bunce—Resigned
Peter Westervelt—Carpenter 24 Jones S^t
V^c John S Gustin—Resigned
Peter Beaumont Mason 223 Sullivan S^t V^c F B Course—Resigned
John Wendover Christopher Street V^c E. P. Townsend—Resigned
Azel M^c*Canmon* [Camman] Carman 45 Sullivan S^t
V^c Joseph Rushton Time Expired

Resignations

Edward Banker & James M Hoyt — Time Expired
William Yellott W T Merritt & David A Hull— — Resigned

N° 19

Samuel R Strickland Ship Joiner 154 Hester S^t
V^c Lewis R Fisher Resigned
William Ryan House Carpenter
V^c James Winchell Expelled for neglect of duty

N° 21

David Jones—Tin plate worker 52 Elm S[t]
V[c] John R Baker Left the City

Colin Lightbody—Coppersmith &c 162 Sullivan S[t]
V[c] John Bradshaw Resigned

[316] N° 25

Resignations

Walter M Smith William H Smith & Richard J Polhemus
Resigned [Appointed Wardens]

George Colgate.....Time expired

Ransalier N Havens	Charles H Haswell	Resigned
William Yellott	Sampson C Tilley	
Charles Ellet	Edward Franklin	
John J Stephens	Thomas S Underhill	
[Lewis E Davenport]	& Epenetus E Townsend	

N° 29

Ralph Runkle	Harry Wood	Resigned
Ira Moore	Sylvester H Jones	
Stephen Merritt	John Westerfield	

N° 48

John Mogier Expelled

Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 3

Daniel G Van Winkle Carpenter 123 Prince S[t]
V[c] Robert Broadwell removed

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for Correction of Nuisances 110 in Number

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

N°	1.	M Moore	owner	N°	7 Batavia S[t]	A privy
	2.	[317] M Sullivan	D°		3 D°	D°
	3.	F Fraser	D°		8 D°	D°
	4.	A Pentz	D°		9 D°	D°
	5.	D°	D°		11 D°	D°
	6.	J Moore	D°		12 D°	D°
	7.	D°	D°		14 D°	D°
	8.	E Snethen	D°		16 D°	D°
	9.	J Roosevelt	D°		17 D°	D°
	10.	D°	D°		19 D°	D°
	11.	D°	D°		21 D°	D°
	12.	C P White	Executor		7 Beekman S[t]	D°

13.	J Lawrence	Owner		51	Canal	A privy
14.	S Reed	Do		71	Do	Do
15.	Do	Do		71½	Do	Do
16.	M Gereau	Do		77	Do	Do
17.	S Moore	Do		169	Chapel St	Do
18.	H Palmer	Do		7	Chesnut St	Do
19.	A F Mankin	Do		15	Harrison St	Do
20.	Do	Do		17	Do	Do
21.	Heirs of J Hougton	Do	No	9	James St	Do
22.	M Taylor	Agent		11	Do	Do
23.	G Newbold	Owner		18	Do	Do
24.	W Mitchell	Do		79	Do	Do
25.	G Pick	Do		20	Do	Do
26.	Do	Do		20	Do	Do
27.	D J Burger	Do		62	Do	Do
28.	W & G Post	Do		75	Do	Do
29	[318] H Bartlett	Do		77	Do	Do
30.	R Manning	Do		81	Do	Do
31.	Do	Do		83	Do	Do
32.	E Montgomery	Do		87	Do	Do
33.	J R Livingston	Do			Lewis St	Do
34.	J Morss	Do	No	4	Lispenard St	Do
35.	J Degroot	Do		25	Do	Do
36.	M Hitchcock	Lessee		45	Nassau St	Do
37.	T Turk	owner		69	Do	Do
38.	J Connor	Do		107	Do	Do
39.	Lee & Thompson	Do		111	Do	Do
40.	C P. White	Executor		123	Do	Do
41.	Do	Do		129	Do	Do
42.	Do	Do		127	Do	Do
43.	Do	Do		129	Do	Do
44.	Heirs of G Jackson	owner	No	9	Oak St	Do
45.	J Bird	Lessee		14	Do	Do
46.	J Harper	Do		16	Do	Do
47.	H Palmer	owner	No	398	Pearl	Do
48.	P M P Durando	Do		39	Roosevelt	Do
49.	J Walsh	Lessee		47	Do	Do
50.	G Gollow	owner		51	Do	Do
51.	J Walsh	Occupt		55	Roosevelt St	Do
52.	J Storms	Lessee		57	Do	Do
53.	Heirs of G Jackson	owner		67	Do	Do
54.	M Robb	Do	No	120	William St	Do
55.	J Cruickshank	Do		131	Do	Do
56.	[319] J Cruikshank	Do		133	William St	Do
57.	Strong & Ballagh	Agents		265	Do	Do
58.	Wm W Gilbert	owner			Tenth Street	A Lot
59.	P Martin	Executor		25	Cross St	A privy
60.	J White	Lessee		65	[56] Ann St	Do
61.	J Lawrence	Owner		73	Canal St	Do
62.	Do	Do		75	Do	Do

63.	E *Tillis* [Tullis]	owner	8	Chesnut	A privy
64.	G Hance	Do	10	Do	Do
65.	J Drake	Do	12	Do	Do
66.	Do	Do	14	Do	Do
67.	J Ebbets	Do	227	Church	Do
68.	G C Heron	Do	9	Frankfort	Do
69.	R Brown	Do	25	Do	Do
70.	N Hawxhurst	Do	29	Do	Do
71.	M Anthony	Do	33	Do	Do
72.	E Stanbury	Do	41	Do	Do
73.	Do	Do	45	Do	Do
74	M Hitchcock	Do	73	Gold St	Do
75	Sarah Hall	Executrix	83	Do	Do
76	J. C. Mott	Lessee	95	Do	Do
77.	Do	Do	95	Do	Do
78	E Stanbury	owner	97	Do	Do
79	J Swan	Do	7	James	Do
80.	J Hays	Do	10	Lispenard	Do
81	A Blank	Do	19	Do	Do
82	J Platt	Occupt	21	Do	Do
83.	[320] A Journey	Owner	45	Do	Do
84.	J Bethune	Do	53	Liberty St	Do
85.	J Thomas	Do	38	Nassau St	Do
86.	P Aymar	Do	128	Do	Do
87.	J Lorillard	Do	347	Pearl St	Do
88.	J W Richardson	Do	12	Roosevelt St	Do
89.	J Van sice	Do	44	Do	Do
90.	D Berrian	Do	56	Do	Do
91.	A Pentz	Do	62	Do	Do
92.	Wm Tice	Do	64	Do	Do
93.	J Windle	Agent	10	Spruce St	Do
94.	Do	Do	12	Do	Do
95.	A Sherman	owner	16	Do	Do
96.	A Titus	Lessee	24	Do	Do
97.	J Colligan	Do	30	Do	Do
98	D Lydig	owner	38	Do	Do
99.	Rt Smith	Do	276	Water St	Do
100.	J Basso	Do	276½	Do	Do
101.	Rd Jennings	Do	303	Do	Do
102.	Do	Do	305	Do	Do
103.	G Arcularius	President	206	William St	Do
104.	Wm Scott	owner		Sixth St	A Lot
105	Jno G Wendell	Do		Avenue D	Do
106	Wr Fickett	Do		Do	Do
107	J Lemaire	Do		Norfolk St	Do
108	A Crump	Occupt	37	Mulberry St	Do
109	R Riker	owner		Sheriff St	Do
110	A Lamb	Do		Do	Do

Which were passed.

George Cuming City Inspector

The City Inspector presented the following Report on subject of Manure deposited on West street.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports to the Board on the subject of the Manure &c deposited on West Street, referred to him at its last meeting, there is now about Twenty Loads there all belonging to the Corporation, which Mr Dobbs Mr Bloodgoods Assistant says will be immediately removed

Geo. Cuming City Inspector

Which were accepted.

The Street Commissioner presented Returns of Delinquents on the Assessments for flagging the side walks of Division street, and for repaving parts of South & Moore streets. Whereupon Warrants were ordered to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto vizt

For a Well and Pump in Lombardy [322] street near Clinton street and Abraham Bloodgood James Barclay & Pine Hopkins appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in Washington street near Canal street and Reuben Munson Alpheus Sherman and Azariah Ross were appointed Assessors.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for regulating and paving Seventh street from the Bowery to the 3d Avenue which was Confirmed and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

Alderman Cebra presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Market Committee with powers.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs under direction of the Market Committee, cause Thirty five feet of the Roof of the Spring street Market to be removed to the Greenwich Market for the purpose of forming a Shed to said Market and that Thirty five feet more be removed to the Grand Street Market for the same purpose, And that the Balance of said Market be sold at Public Auction as soon as Clinton Market may be occupied.

Alderman B M Brown presented [323] the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to enquire into the expediency of Building a Pier at the foot of King street in the 8th Ward.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the expediency of closing Catharine Lane.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that Martin Van Beuren late Governor of this State be requested to sit for his portrait to be placed in the City Hall, and that it be referred to a Committee of two together with the Mayor to carry this Resolution into effect. The Mayor appointed Mr Rosevelt & Mr Recorder to be united with himself.

Alderman Meserole presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Special Committee on Gas.

Resolved that it be referred to the [324] Gas Committee to have the Bowery lighted with Gas as far as the pipes are laid

Alderman Rogers presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Whereas great Complaints have been made by Masters of Vessels and others of the inattention of the Superintendant of Wharves Piers & Slips to his duties, And Whereas it is necessary to have an industrious and competent person appointed to fill said Office therefore— Resolved that the Board now proceed to an appointment to fill that Office.

The Comptroller presented the following Report.

Balance as per Acct 23d March	69.455.99
Recd for Tax of 1828	41.600.
" " Streets	12.653.72
" " Docks & Slips	1151.01
" " Rents	1013.75
" " Intestate Estates	634.19
" " Justices Courts	330.54
" " Tavren Licences	190.
" " Superior Court fees	189.75
" " Fines from former Counsel	136.48
" " [325] Wells & Pumps	120.10
" " Fines of Sheriff	65.
" " Mayoralty fees	60.
" " Fines of Attorney	31.29
	$127.631.82

84 Accounts audited & directed to be paid.

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Field " 2d "	945.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.
J Sidell First Marshall 1 Qr Salary 1 April	225.
J Hays High Constable 1 Qr do "	125.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keeper City Hall 1 Mo 1 Apl	77.50
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield " "	69.75

O Ayres Asst City Inspector				1 Mo 1 Apl....	58.50
J Coffin	do			" "	58.50
C Gillman Keeper of Battery				" "	38.75
A McCready "	Park			" "	38.75
J. C Osborn Keeper of Washington Parade				" "	23.25
J. J Shoemaker Street Inspector		1	Ward	" "	46.50
T Woolcocks	"	2d	"	" "	46.50
J B Ebbetts	"	3d	"	" "	46.50
N B Lyon	"	4th	"	" "	46.50
I A Isaacs	"	5th	"	" "	46.50
Wm H Sparks	"	6	"	43 days "	64.50
B Fuller	"	7	"	1 Mo "	46.50
W G Babb	"	8	"	" "	46.50
[326] H Mott	do	9	"	23 days in March	34.50
H B Roome	do	9	"	8 days to 1 Apl	12.
T Austin	Do	10	"	1 Mo 1 Apl....	46.50
A Hatfield	Do	11	"	" "	46.50
D Hubbard	Do	13	"	" "	46.50
P. Field	Do	14	"	" "	46.50
J Morton Clerk for Coach hire & 2 Maps of the City.....					52.
John M Devoy Clerk Grand Essex & Gouverneur Markets 16 Feb to 1 Apl.....					85.25
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo— 1 Apl.....					82.17
John Minuse Clerk Centre "				14 Feby to Do	71.57
J Bremner "	Catharine "			1 Mo "	62.
G Duryea "	Fulton "			" & Expences	54.67
I Asten sweeper	Do "			"	46.19
J. Gilbert "	Spring & Greenwich "			"	46.
R Smith Clerk	Franklin "			"	31.
Jas Seaman Do	Manhattan "			"	31.
A Parker Asst Board of Health				"	52.
J Pinckney	Do			"	52.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removg Nuisances				"	30.21
J Colvill Coroner 1 Qur 1 April.....					540.21
R Riker Recorder 1 Qr Salary "					375.
D. T. Valentine Marshall Marine Court 1 Mo 1 April.....					32.50
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 5 April.....					145.78
G Snethen lighting Lamps 1 Month 1 April.....					1505.75
G Snethen Superdt Lamps 1 Qr Salary 1 April.....					187.50
R Provoost painting & glazing Lamps 1 Mo 1 April.....					199.64
[327] J Dunn & Sons making & repairing Lamps 1 Qr 1 Apl					486.75
J Macy & Son 15 Casks Oil.....					781.41
Samuel Judd 14 Casks Oil.....					647.04
Jas Dewey Sunday service 2d Ward 9 days to 1 Jany.....					13.50
J Pollock filling 10 Lots 5th Avenue & 13th Street Lien S Haskell & wife.....					1613.90
J Pollock filling Lot 6 Avenue b 4 & 5th Streets Lien Abm Hitchcock					27.50

T Hall & Co Subscription to Commercial [Advertiser] 6 Mo 10 March	50.
Estate of John Montgomery Blank book for Clerk of Sessions	7.50
J Slidell & Associates Comrs fees & expences openg Cedar fm William to Pearl St	780.75
M Ulshoeffer Attys Costs & Ccharges Do Do Do	348.43
C P White & Associates Comrs fees &c openg 8. 9. 10. 11. 12 Streets Bowery to 2d Avenue	721.
M Ulshoeffer Attys Costs & charges do Do Do	526.16
S Fargay Actt reg & pavg Mangin fm Broome to Delancy St	600.
O McCabe Actt reg & pav Avenue D fm North to near 8th St	500.
J F Rague Actt builds Cistern North St fm Avenue D to E River	400.
Saml Boyd Actt reg & pav 2d St from Avenue B to North St	400.
E Bancker Atty for T Pope & W Agnew Actt reg 4th St fm Avenue D to Lewis St	200.
P. Smith Actt repav Madison fm Pike to Rutgers St	200.
T Cumings bal reg & pavg Burrows fm Herring to Christopher St	165.27
H Cochran Actt repavg Reed fm Broadway to Washington St	120.
H Smith Actt laying Cross walks 6 Ward	100.
E W Bridges Surveys &c 1 Qr 1 April	104.
Jas Patten Actt builds Bulkhead West St at Spring St basin	800.
G Lovett Atty for A Stagg Actt filling Bulkhead Delancy Slip	350.
W Hockman ½ Amt builds addition to middle Pier Gouverneur Slip	747.50
T Gillen for Well Burrows near 5th Street	31.88
[328] J Gallagher Junr bal on Well Hudson near Perry St.	26.
D Harren 1st payt Well Jane St near Greenwich Lane	21.87
P McGlinn 1st payt Well 3d Street near Avenue D	21.
R Graves St Comr for H Miner Actt reducing 3d Avenue.	500.
R Graves St Comr Actt Expences Lands & Places	250.
J Oothout Treasr Bank for Savings Interest on 2 Bonds 1 Qr 1 April	3750.
J W Hardenbrook Interest on Bond $10.000 6 Mo 9 April	250.
J. O Woodruff Keeper Penitentiary & 3 Assists 1 Qr Salary 1 April	625.
J Wood Physician Bellevue Hospital 1 Qr " "	375.
A Burtis Super Alms House & Clerk 1 Qur " "	525.
A Burtis do for Alms House	5000.
A Burtis Do for Penitentiary on Blackwells Island	50[illegible]

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